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Bob Odom, Commissioner

What's happening in Louisiana agriculture and forestry?



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Hydroponic Solution

A West Feliciana farmer knows the true meaning of "water, water everywhere but not a drop to drink." His greenhouses are full of water but have none to quench a thirst. Instead, this inventive farmer uses H₂O to grow lettuce without soil.

By Sam Irwin

Farmers are always looking for new ways to market their crops. The market for big row crops, like cotton, soybeans and corn, is so large that most producers never have to worry about selling their product. Their major concern is getting the best price for their commodity.

Row crops are usually entirely harvested with machinery, which calls for minimal outside labor expense.

Then there are the smaller, more labor-intensive crops like commercial fruits and vegetables. A quick visit to the produce section of any grocery store reveals well-stocked coolers piled high with lettuce, tomatoes, strawberries, grapes and kiwis.

It's a different breed of farmer willing to take on the myriad problems associated with large-scale produce truck farming. Weather concerns, labor issues and risky gambles to stretch the window of market opportunity can mean higher costs with little profit to show for the effort.

So how can Jim Hadden of West Feliciana Parish single-handedly farm the equivalent of five acres of leaf

Hydroponic farmer Jim Hadden places his hydroponic lettuce on the trimming table.



lettuce at the "North Pole" in 4,000 square feet with minimal risk from weather and pests? The answer: Greenhouse hydroponics.

"My grandfather used to call the field where I have my greenhouse the North Pole," Hadden explained. "It was the northernmost field he had."

But Hadden is able to grow much more lettuce in a smaller area than his grandfather ever dreamed of because of hydroponics.

"Growing up, I never heard of hydroponics," Hadden said. "I don't know what my daddy and grandpa would think of it."

Hadden certainly appreciates the advantages of hydroponic truck farming.

"I would need five or six acres of land to grow this much lettuce and I wouldn't be able to do it by myself," Hadden said. "Conventional produce farming takes a lot of hand labor, but since I'm specializing in one particular product I have a constant market year round."

Hadden, a retired high school ag teacher, grows seven varieties of leaf lettuce in his greenhouse using nothing more than a closed (re-circulating) water system and enough PVC pipe to plumb a 10-story building. He exchanges his lettuce for cash lettuce at the Red Stick Farmers Market in Baton Rouge and Crescent City Farmers Market in New Orleans. He also sells his leafy vegetables at the seasonal St. Francisville market in the spring.

The 61-year-old farmer lives on the same land where he labored alongside his grandfather and father in the hills of St. Francisville.

"Growing up, I worked with my grandpa and father growing vegetable crops," he said. "We were doing truck farming and raising cattle."

"I would have liked to have gone into some type of farming, but the property wasn't big enough to really make too much in normal row crop farming. I went to school and got an ag degree."

But after 33 years of teaching at Baker High School in East Baton Rouge Parish, Woodlands High School in St. Helena Parish and Istrouma Junior High in East Baton Rouge Parish, Hadden decided to build his own greenhouse and become a full-time farmer. His years of tending public school greenhouses gave him plenty of experience and background to tackle hydroponics.

"It's my retirement project," he said. "I'm not one to sit around."

He built two greenhouses on the North Pole field and *See Hydroponic lettuce, page 2*



Lettuce seeds are planted in foam Oasis and allowed to germinate in plastic trays (top). At four weeks, the seedlings are transferred to a two-inch pipe. Nutrient-enriched water flows through the pipe grid and the lettuce plant's root system soaks up the soluble fertilizer until it is market size (middle). Hadden harvests a pipe filled with lettuce grown hydroponically (bottom and left).

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grew tomatoes in the water-nutrient solution, but eventually ran into a marketing problem.

"I grew tomatoes four or five years and was selling them to Winn Dixie," Hadden said. "They had a change in management and decided not to buy locally so that cooked my tomato market."

The independent grocers and farmers markets were already being supplied by a number of hydroponic tomato growers and Hadden found himself on the outside looking in. He tried growing flowers and herb plants, but couldn't compete with larger growers.

The retired teacher went back to the drawing board and discovered leaf lettuce was an under-utilized market. Soon he was growing seven varieties of cool lettuce on his North Pole field. He grows curly red, curly green, bibb, arugula, green romaine, red romaine and green oakleaf lettuce.

The teacher in him appreciates the fact that it's easier to control a greenhouse of plants than a classroom of students. It's one of the advantages of hydroponics. He's even able to halt production to go on vacation.

"I plant every Monday," Hadden said. "If I need to go somewhere with my wife for a few days or something, I won't plant that week."

The tiny lettuce seed is encased in clay shell by seed suppliers. Every Monday, Hadden places a set number of the lettuce seeds in a grid of pre-dibble-cut foam Oasis cubes. After three years of selling at the farmers markets Hadden knows exactly how much demand to expect. He goes through a



case of 5,000 seeds every four months.

The cubes are placed in a tray and begin soaking up water fortified with the basic needs, nitrogen, phosphorous and potassium, as well as calcium, boron, iron, magnesium and manganese. The seeds germinate and grow for four weeks.

The seedlings, their roots threaded through the porous foam media, are placed into a series of holes in a PVC pipe two inches in diameter. Each planted pipe, holding 20 plants, is placed parallel on racks four feet above the ground. Fertilized water is pumped through the pipes by tiny hoses interconnecting the grid. The water is soaked up by the root systems. Stabilized by the foam Oasis, the water flows around the plant roots, through the pipes and then drains into a gutter system back to a centralized holding tank.

A float sensor monitors the water level in the tank to maintain a constant supply. Hadden checks the city water supply pH factor daily and adjusts as necessary. A pH of 5.8 to 6.0 is optimum for leaf lettuce. And despite greenhouse temperatures that can get up to 100 degrees or more, the water flowing around the lettuce roots is rarely over 80.

"You have more problems with it being too hot than too cold," Hadden explained. "I've

got fans to pull heat out and the water itself helps to maintain a cool mini-environment around the plant."

Unlike hydroponic tomato cultivation, Hadden says the outdoor temperature is rarely a problem for lettuce.

"I turn the heat on if it's extremely cold, but it hasn't been that cold," Hadden said. "The greenhouse protects the heat. Even when it got down to 23 degrees this winter, it didn't bring the temperature down enough inside to turn on the heaters."

Hadden's hydroponic system even allows him a mastery over wind and rain problems.

"The environment is controlled," Hadden said. "(In the field) you could have a beating rain that could tear everything up just when you get ready to harvest. Or you get a hail-storm that wipes you out."

"With hydroponics you have a fairly well controlled environment that provides nutrients, controls the temperature and protects the lettuce from the elements. The lettuce quality is easier to control."

What about pests? Easily manged, Hadden said.

"The screen keeps out moths and butterflies," Hadden said. "The one thing is aphids. They tend to migrate to the arugula, so if I plant a sacrificial crop of arugula, they flock to that. It's all in the cost of production."

Occasionally Hadden's plants succumb to damping, a disease that wilts the lettuce stem.

Pesticides are used sparingly and each pipe is sterilized in a low chlorine solution after harvest. Other problems are clogged pipes hindering water flow around thirsty root systems and power failures halting the electric water pumps.

Hadden said demand for his lettuce is fairly constant throughout the year – and profitable.

"I'm pretty much by myself in the market after the regular spring field lettuce is done," Hadden said. "I've seen prices higher and I've seen prices lower, but I'm getting a pretty good premium or high-average price."

With his teacher retirement and his profitable lettuce business, Hadden is finally able to be the farmer he always wanted to be, even though he's not driving an expensive Massey-Ferguson or John Deere tractor.

He enjoys his four hour days working in the greenhouse.

"Monday is my busy day," Hadden said. "I may spend 8 hours in here on Monday. Tuesday and Saturday are market days. Sunday is a day of rest."

But the pleasure of cultivation is the ultimate experience for Hadden.

"I enjoy seeing things grow," he said. "And I enjoy visiting with the people at the mar-



A rubber tube system carries the growing solution to dozens of PVC pipes in Hadden's greenhouse (above). Hadden tests his water supply daily for the proper mix of fertilizers (below left) and pH factor (inset at left). The tiny lettuce seeds are encased in clay pellets (below right). Hadden sells his lettuce directly to the consumer at local farmers markets (bottom inset).



Water world: hydroponic history

Though the term hydroponics (from the Greek *hydor*, for water, and *ponos*, to labor) was a term coined in 1937, the idea of growing plants without soil has been around for a few thousand years.

The ancient rice paddies of Southeast Asia come to mind. And the Hanging Gardens of Babylon, one of the seven wonders of the ancient world, were most likely one of the earliest successful attempts to grow plants hydroponically.

The pre-Columbian Aztecs of Central America built rafts of swamp reeds and floated them on the marshy waters of nearby Lake Tenochtitlan. Using dredged soil high in organic compounds from the lake bottom, the Aztecs planted crops of vegetables, flowers, and trees on the reed vessels. The plant roots pushed through the raft toward the water source.

In 1600, Belgian scientist Jan van Helmont proved plants obtain nutrients from water by planting a five pound willow shoot in 200 pounds of dried soil. The soil, covered to keep out dust, was watered regularly for five years with rain water. During that period van Helmont concluded that the willow plant, which grew to weigh more than 160 pounds, needed substances from water to grow.

A century later, John Woodward, a fellow of the Royal Society of England, grew plants in water enriched by soil. Although scientists of that period knew little chemistry, Woodward asserted that plant growth was a result of certain substances and minerals in the water derived from the enriched soil. Plants did not grow simply from water, he believed.

Increased understanding of chemistry in the 17th and 18th centuries enabled scientists to unravel the mysteries of plant nutrition, and in the 1930s, William Gericke of the University of California began work on plant nutrition for large scale commercial applications. He termed his laboratory work hydroponics (water-working). His research was limited to the water culture without the use of any rooting medium.

Gericke proved vegetables, like beets, radishes, carrots, potatoes, cereal crops, fruits, ornamentals and flowers, could be grown hydroponically.

Pictures of the UC professor growing 25-foot tomato plants from his laboratory's large water tanks were circulated in the nation's newspapers. The American public, believing hydroponics was the discovery of the millennium, was hoodwinked by many an unscrupulous promoter trying to cash in on the craze by peddling useless equipment and materials.

Despite the premature hullabaloo, hydroponics was based on sound, scientific horticultural practices and the United States military built greenhouses during World War II on non-arable Pacific islands like Wake Island and Iwo Jima in the Pacific. Hydroponic farms were also constructed in the south Atlantic Ocean and the strategic Persian Gulf.

By 1952, the U.S. Army's special hydroponics branch grew more than 8 million pounds of produce for the troops.

Today, salad greens are grown in Antarctica. What's next? Lunar tomatoes?

—source, Gary V. Deutschmann, Sr., History of Hydroponics.

Louisiana Agriculture & Forestry Today

Odom talks ethanol, biodiesel with Willie Nelson

Commissioner of Agriculture and Forestry Bob Odom met with legendary country music singer Willie Nelson in New Orleans earlier this month to talk biodiesel and ethanol.

Nelson is partner in the company BioWillie, which produces biodiesel fuel and owns and operates truck stops and free-standing tanks that sell biodiesel fuel. Odom came away from the meeting with a tentative agreement that Nelson will partner with local farmers and business people to possibly build a biodiesel facility and ethanol plant in the state.

"Willie was very cordial and informed about alternative fuels. It was apparent that renewable fuels produced using American farm

crops are important to him. It's not just a product he's lending his face to," Odom said. "He knows the science of biofuels and the significance of lessening our dependence on foreign oil."

BioWillie's company slogan is Family Farmers Growing Fuel for America and the World, a subject that is equally important to Odom.

"In order for a family farm to survive today, I believe it has to do three things: produce food, electricity and fuel," Odom said. "We grow plenty of crops in Louisiana that are a natural fit for producing biodiesel and ethanol. These plants have the potential to expand markets for farmers, clean up the environment and infuse cash in struggling rural

communities."

Odom is currently backing a bill in the Louisiana Legislature that will set minimum standards for ethanol or biodiesel in Louisiana gas and diesel. Similar laws are currently in place in Minnesota, Hawaii and Montana. With the phase out of the fuel additive MTBE, federal mandates for ethanol usage are in the near future.

"This is our opportunity as a state to be ahead of the curve in something positive," Odom said. "We are doing something that will benefit our children, grandchildren and many future generations. I look forward to working with Willie and others who are interested in bringing alternative fuel production to Louisiana."



Willie Nelson and Commissioner Bob Odom

CATTLE

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Reg. gray Brahman bull 5 1/2 yrs., very gentle, was 4-H project,

calves to show, \$1200. Elvin Soileau, Ville Platte; (337) 363-4094.

Reg. BBU red bull, born 3/5/05, straight flat back, good underline, will lead, Havana's son on top, Cherokee Phantom bloodline on bottom, \$1000. D. M. O'Neal, Baker; (225) 261-3260 or (225) 328-4320.

Reg. Char. bull, 4 1/2 yrs., gentle, calves to show, \$1400. Leon Randolph, DeQuincy; (337) 540-8484 or (337) 786-8232.

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Yrlg. bulls & heifers, 12-14 mos., bulls 8-1000 lbs., heifers 650-750 lbs., Mark Donald, Pure Gold & Straight L-1 bloodlines, \$1000/1-up. Paul Seaux, Sunset; (337) 277-8751 or (337) 668-4501.

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(2) reg. Brahman bulls, gray, (1) born 2/29/04, (1) born 3/4/04, \$1200/1. O.O. Grant, Olla; (318) 495-5964.

Reg. Angus bulls, semen tested, \$1600/1-up. R.J. Needham, Robert; (985) 345-9212.

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Courville, Sunset; (337) 662-3758.

Reg. Brahman bull, 4-5 yrs., calves to show, great shape, wormed, on feed, gentle, \$1700. Pierre Broussard, Maurice; (337) 984-9495.

(2) reg. Char. bulls, 18-24 mos. wormed on feed, great cond., \$1000/1. Pierre Broussard, Maurice; (337) 984-9495.

ABBA Brahman bulls, 6 mos.-5 yrs., quality, gentle bulls, \$700-\$1500. Charlie Boyter, Keithville; (318) 925-0980 or (318) 925-2355.

Reg. blk. Angus heifers, 12-14 mos., cert. Brucellosis free herd, \$1200/1. M.J. Hebert, Youngsville; (337) 856-4277.

(25) bred Brangus heifers, P3 guaranteed bred, bred to lbw bulls, \$1150/1. Brandon Habetz, Ragley; (337) 405-8596.

(40) paired Brangus heifers, blk. calves, 45 days old, exposed to high performance reg. Angus bulls, \$1200/1. B. Habetz, Ragley; (337) 405-8596.

Reg. polled Hereford bulls, 15 mos., will deliver. Nickey Rachel, Mansura; (318) 964-2760.

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Small Corriente herd, 5 prs., bull, heavy springers, young heifers, (27) head total, \$12,000. Glenn Schexnaydre, Convent; (225) 562-7344 or (225) 806-0214.

Reg. Char. bull, born 5/15/04, all shots, tested, gentle, \$1800; reg. Angus bull, born 10/23/00, all shots, tested, gentle, calves to show, \$1500; Angus/Brangus heifers, 11-14 mos., all shots, gentle, \$750/1-up. Karen Saizan, Opelousas; (337) 585-2269.

Reg. blk. Angus bulls & heifers, 8 mos., \$800/1. Clinton Breland, Angie; (985) 848-9213.

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Pb reg. Char. bulls, 9 mos.-19 mos., \$1000-\$1200. Anthony Pitt, Scott; (337) 232-2452.

(30) reg. Angus bulls w/Gardiner & N-Bar genetics, 1 1/2-3 yrs., \$1850-\$3000. Paul Dufrene, Cut Off; www.tripleon-farms.com, (985) 637-1189 or (985) 693-3276.

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Jersey & Holstein nurse cows, \$750. Kurt Martinez, Donaldsonville; (225) 717-4345.

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Very nice set of (10) commercial

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(4) blk. Angus/Brangus/cross heifers, gentle, 12-14 mos., \$700/1. Ronnie Andrus, St. Landry; (318) 838-2289.

Reg. Brangus bulls, (3) blk., 12-14 mos., AI sires, Typesetter & BT Mercedes, calving ease, high milk EPDs, very gentle, \$1100. Bill Clattenburg, Montpelier; (225) 223-7521.

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(2) reg. Beefmaster bulls, Laseter Ranch bloodline, \$1400. Charles Ledoux, Kaplan; (337) 643-7217.

Reg. Hereford bull, calves, 10/12/05, extra gentle, perfect for 1st 4-H calf, Domino bloodline, \$1000; steers, \$650. John Patrick, St. Francisville; (225) 635-4614 or (225) 721-1478.

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Reg. Angus bulls, off LSU feed test, 15-24 mos., semen tested, \$1600/1-up. Tim Guillory, Livonia; (225) 637-3348 or (225) 485-0726.

Reg. polled Hereford bull, 5 yrs., Victor Victoria bloodline, from Tennessee River Music Int., tall, long body, \$1500 obo. Tammy Tantillo, Albany; (225) 567-7614.

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(4) reg. blk. Beefmaster bulls, 13 mos., Black Maxx sons, \$1300-\$1500/1. Mitch Romero, Maurice; (337) 898-2530 or (337) 319-4544.

(8) reg. Limousin cows, (4) 3/N/1s, (4) to calf soon, (5) heifers, (1) pb, (2) reg. bulls - (1) blk., (1) red, '02 reserve grand champ. at LSU, La. bred, \$20,000/all. Hudson Vizena, Oberlin; (337) 639-2182.

(12) 14 mo. Angus heifers, on feed, \$850/1. Ralph Sonnier, Lawtell; (337) 272-6197 or (337) 543-6327.

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1997 blk. & wh. tobiano mares, very pretty, wide muscular build, 14.3 hands, 1200 lbs., used trail riding, had pro training, gentle & sound, \$2000 obo. Dean Gentile, Port Allen; (225) 328-2198 or (225) 627-9562.

SSHBEA blk. & wh. trail horses, (3) gels., \$3000/1-up. John Slocum, Larose; (985) 637-6506.

APHA beautiful, sweet, healthy yrlgs. & older horses, well bred, Scribbles, Sky Bug Bingo, Conclusive, Impressive Lines, up-to-date on all vacc., trimmed, wormed regularly, \$700/1-up. Gwen Smith, Sunset; sunpaintacres@aol.com or (337) 257-4686.

Miniature horses, (1) 34" mahogany bay mare, very gentle, in foal to blk. & wh. stallion, \$650; 30" 2 yr. blk. & wh. stallion, very gentle, \$400. Megan Losavio, Torbert; www.geocities.com/friscofarms, (225) 223-2008 or (225) 625-4439.

Miniature horse, AMHA reg., 33" sorrel pinto mare, very gentle, exposed to a stallion & is possibly bred, \$1000. Vincent Losavio, Torbert; www.geocities.com/friscofarms, (225) 223-2008 or (225) 625-4439.

16 yr. gray geld., barrel & pole horse, 15.2 hands, runs 2-D times, very consistent, gentle but powerful, \$7500. Meg Lovejoy,

Sulphur; (337) 583-4158 or (337) 842-0769.

3 yr. AQHA dun filly, Rockets Magic breeding, 4 wh. socks & blaze, 90 days riding, \$2500. B.D. Fontenot, Eunice; (337) 457-5685.

Arabians, reg. fillies & mares, excel. Spanish & Egyptian bloodlines, exceptional quality, must sell, \$2500/1-up, terms avail. F. Larry Martinez, Port Barre, (337) 585-6969.

1999 AQHA, APHA dbl. reg. show mare, ready for showmanship, equitation, hunter, Western pleasure, walk-trot, horsemanship, trail & Western riding, \$4000 obo or trade for bumper-pull horse trailer. Christina Miller, Springfield; (225) 695-6746.

1986 AQHA pal. geld., penner, cutter, roper, barrel racer & pole bender, kid safe, no buck, rear or bolt, great in the alley & box, sound & UTO on shots, \$1000. Sean Miller, Springfield; (225) 695-6746.

2000 APHA Prairie Gold mare, ROM in halter with filly at side, by Top Gunner Copy, \$7800/both. S. T. Lantrip, Ethel; (225) 683-3227.

AQHA Impressive Poise mare, proven producer w/AQHA filly, by Cool Tall One, multi-world champ, easy keeper, \$5800/pr. Sandy Lantrip, Ethel; (225) 683-3227.

April '06 bay colt, out of AQHA Puddenhead dam & AQHA dbl. bred Peppy San Badger sire, both dam & sire can be seen on site, \$750 obo. Lorraine Simmons, Independence; (985) 878-3642.

March '06 bay filly, dam is AQHA Freckles Playboy/Doc Bar dam, sire AQHA Peppy San Badger sire, both dam & sire can be seen on site, \$850. Raymond Simmons, Independence; (985) 878-3642.

2001 APHA sorrel/wh. tobiano paint geld., spirited, broke to ride, \$1500. Karen Mixon, Baton Rouge; (225) 261-3367.

App. horses, APHC weans., yrlgs., broodmares, gelds. & mares, \$750-\$8000. Ronnie Huckaby, Jonesboro; (318) 259-2306 or (318) 548-6724.

20 mo. Belgium geld., 18 hands, ½ Amish foundation stock, ½ reg. Belgium, halter broke & very gentle, \$800. Wayne Smith, Tallulah; (318) 574-4262.

5 yr. short App. mare, gentle to ride & bred, to foal this year, \$500; 12 yr. TW pal. geld., \$1200. Ron West, Ville Platte; (337) 224-3002.

5 yr. pal./wh. paint mare, well marked, stocky build, used to trail ride, \$1200. Phyllis Veillon, Ville Platte; (337) 363-4355 or (337) 831-3247.

6 yr. chestnut geld., 14.2 hands, good for kids & or anyone to ride, \$800. Blake Veillon, Ville Platte; (337) 363-4355 or (337) 831-3247.

APHA 3-color stud, blue eyes, \$1200; 3-color mare, 2 yrs., \$1200; blk. filly, 9 mos., \$750; Welsh-Quarter pal. mare w/colt, gentle for kids, \$1500; 6 mo. dark.

pal. stud colt, mini horses, \$500/1-up, gentle, rides w/saddle. Shelia Wills, Jennings; (337) 824-5197 or (337) 789-0699.

Reg. TW 8 yr. bay mare, bred to reg. champagne stallion, 6 yr. reg. TW sorrel roan mare, bred to reg. Cremello stallion, \$1500/1. Shonnie Dove, Winnsboro; www.smoothcruisen.com or (318) 235-7304.

Reg. TW golden pal., 11 mos., stud colt, \$1500; reg. TW gray filly, 13 mos., \$1200; reg. TW gray stud, 8 mos., \$800. C. Dove, Winnsboro; www.smoothcruisen.com or (318) 235-7304.

2001 QH pal. mare, gentle, no bad habits, out of winning barrel racer, green broke, Doc's Irish Bar, Sonny Go Jack, Doc n' Freckles, can email pictures, \$1850. Linda Kirkwood, Elmer; (318) 793-5392.

2 yr. grade chestnut filly, very well bred cow horse, not broke but lunges, ties & saddles, UTO on shots, a little high strung but no bad habits, \$850 obo. Fran St. Pierre, Tickfaw; (985) 429-8212 or (985) 351-3620.

(3) solid black Arabian stud colts, exceptional quality, Egyptian/Spanish bloodlines, \$2500/1-up. Donavan Stoute, Opelousas; (337) 351-3815 or (337) 585-2642.

Reg. TW racking filly, mare, broodmare & pal. stud colt, some ready to ride, ready to start riding or will breed to cremello stud, \$1000/1-up. Darin Burge, Walker; (225) 686-1695 or (225) 335-7780.

AMHA & AMHR miniature horses, (2) mares, \$800 or reasonable offer. Shirley Marshall, Hessmer; (318) 563-4983.

(2) AQHA broodmares w/'06 foals sired by grandson of Royal King, bred back to same sire, mare's bloodlines include Doc Bar, San Peppy, Cutter Bill & Royal King, \$2250 or less if both purchased. Errol Aymond, Effie; (318) 447-1206.

Reg. MFT geld., 3 yrs., 4 yrs. in May, golden pal., 75 days pro. training, \$2300. Candy Coleman, Greensburg; (225) 222-3222 or (225) 933-2828.

Reg. TW, new foals arriving, put yours on lay-away, also yrlgs., pal., buckskin, spotted, roan, blk. & bay, \$1000/1-up. L. D. Spears, Dry Creek; (337) 328-7365.

2005 reg. App. stallion, chestnut w/large spots on rump, King David, Dream Finder, Plaudit bloodlines, good conform., correct & muscular build, \$1000. J. Robinson, New Iberia; (337) 364-1398.

1998 reg. App. geld., chestnut w/large spotted wh. blanket, pro trained, stocky build, \$2000. J. Robinson, New Iberia; (337) 364-1398.

2004 reg. App. stallion, off of dbl. bred King QH mare & Dream Finder stallion, chestnut w/blaze & blue eye, ready for training, \$800. A. Robinson, New Iberia; (337) 364-1398.

Reg. blk./wh. App. stallion, Cooterville Echohawk, Geronimo, Wapiti, Mansfield Comanche,

Puddenhead, King P-234 bred, \$5000 nego. Hermina Gautreaux, Carencro; (337) 896-8457.

Reg. AQHA pal. stallion, Doc Bar, Peppy San, Puddenhead, King P-234 & Barpass Myers bred, \$6000 nego. E.J. Gautreaux, Carencro; (337) 896-8457.

Reg. AQHA broodmares, granddaughter of Sonny Dee Bar, in foal, (1) colt, (3) fillies out of same mare, sire is Doc Bar, Puddenhead, Peppy San & Bar Pass Myers bred, also reg. App. mare in foal to same sire, \$1000-\$3500. Earlin Gautreaux, Carencro; (337) 896-8457.

15 yr. gray QH mare, good w/kids, very gentle & easy kept, granddaughter of Puddenhead, \$1000. Jimmy Haymon, Anacoco; (337) 238-9337 or (337) 208-7114.

Reg. sorrel paint, 4 yr. geld., out of Doc's Slick Solano & Skip Sugar Baby, green broke, have tracked steers, rides well, \$1000. J. Haymon, Anacoco; (337) 238-9337 or (337) 208-7114.

Reg. Arabian stallions, 4 yrs., mahogany bay, \$5000 firm; 3 yr. gray Egyptian bloodline, show record, \$3000. Lamar Branham, Scott; (337) 212-3697.

Jacks & jennies, take one or all, jacks, \$200/1; jennies, \$300/1. Lena Guyllette, Franklinton; (985) 795-2338.

Red & wh. paint buggy draft mare traffic safe, \$2000; (2) gaited mules, 3 & 5 yrs., reg. w/papers, \$2000 & \$2500. John Mott, Colfax; (318) 627-2807.

Young jack donkeys, 1-3 yrs., \$100/1. J. W. Willis, Elm Grove; (318) 747-0079.

4 yr. reg. blue papered Missouri Fox Trotter geld., trail ready, loads, clips, ties, shoes, crosses water & bridges, great little trail horse, \$2500. Tracy Thrash, Bastrop; http://home.earthlink.net/~dixland, (318) 556-2217 or (318) 237-8356.

4 yr. reg. Missouri Fox Trotter geld., beautiful dapple gray, ridden on trails, big motor, not for beginners, finish him out for \$2500 or we finish & the price goes up. Donnie Thrash, Bastrop; http://home.earthlink.net/~dixland, (318) 556-2217 or (318) 237-8356.

Reg. MFT mare, 10 yrs., sorrel, 15 hands, excel. trail horse, easy keeper, loads, trims & clips, water, traffic, bridges no problem, easy to catch, \$1100. Sid Moreland, Minden; (318) 371-0747 or (318) 371-6799.

4 yr. wh. App. geld., excel. handle, will do anything asked of him, willing, gentle enough for a lady, \$2000. Daniel Fontenot, Ville Platte; (337) 363-1730 or (337) 831-0917.

Reg. 4 yr. solid App. geld., bay w/chrome, big, stout, 15/3 hands, nice looking horse, can win any where, \$2500; reg. App. filly, 3yrs., half brother to the above geld., chestnut w/wh. on hips, 14.3 w/muscle & beautiful head & neck, nice handle, \$2000. D. Fontenot, Ville Platte (337) 363-1730 or (337) 831-0917.

AQHA reg. 6 yr. sorrel mare, 15 hands, granddaughter of Jet Injun

& Sport Model, Ethan, very responsive to cues, \$2500. T. Payne, Broussard; (337) 837-5813.

5 time world champ trainer, specializing in all breeds, gentle colt starting, speed events, cattle classes & ranch using horses, mechanical cow & live cattle on site, showing, shoeing & lessons, limited overnight boarding. Donnie or Tracy Thrash, Bastrop; <http://home.earthlink.net/~dixland>, (318) 556-2217 or (318) 237-8356.

Wanted: matched pr. of horses or mules that can pull a wagon on trail rides, must be very gentle, pull good, laid back & no run off. Calvin Cormier, Scott; (337) 896-4127.

Wanted: 1 or 2 miniature paint jennies, 30"-40". Norman Ordeneaux, Lake Arthur; (337) 774-2641.

STALLION SERVICE

Arabians, reg., straight Spanish, gray but produces color, champ bloodlines, extremely long neck, foals to show, Egyptian, snow white, multi champ at halter, very typey, sires exotic foals, both 15+ hands, \$600, purebreds, others nego. F. Larry Martinez, Port Barre; (337) 585-6969.

4 yr. TW, 15 hands, blk./wh. paint, well marked, babies to show, \$150. Blake Veillon, Ville Platte; (337) 363-4355 or (337) 831-3247.

Reg. TW stallion, uniquely marked blk. & wh. tobiano, by Handshaker's Blizzard & Choochoo's Velvet, WGC bloodlines, great disp., rides & pulls buggy, \$300/\$5 mare care. Clyde Savage, Plaquemine; (318) 939-2170.

Reg. TW stallion, bright chestnut & wh. tobiano, by Sparks of Battle, Ready & Conrads's Angel Fire, WGC bloodlines, great disp., rides & pulls buggy, \$300/\$5 mare care. C. Savage, Plaquemine; (318) 939-2170.

1998 golden pal., 14.2 hands, wide muscular build, pro trained for cutting, Dry Doc, Doc Bar, Poco Lena, Poco Bueno, Leo Wimpy, \$300/\$3 mare care. Dean Gentile, Port Allen; (225) 328-2198 or (225) 627-9562.

AQHA/IBHA buckskin, Smart Little Lena, Freckles Cowboy, King's Copy, Lena's Vegas Boy, 14.3 hands, great disp., eligible as breeding sire by APHA, \$300/\$3 mare care. Joe Kimble, Ethel;

(225) 683-5873 or (225) 326-9112.

2001 bay stallion, 14.2 hands, well built, pro trained, now being shown in cutting, lots of cow, Tanquary Gin, Doc O'Lena, Royal King, Doc Bar, Doc's Sug bloodlines, \$400/\$3 mare care. D. Gentile, Port Allen; (225) 328-2198 or (225) 627-9562.

AQHA Honor & Cash, 15.2 hands, chestnut, Dash For Cash, Easy Jet, Texas Dancer, Hijo the Bull, Boston Mac, Leo, \$400/\$5 mare care. Beth Humphries, Monroe; (318) 343-0823.

Straight Egyptians at stud, Norus son, IBN Moniet, Farazdac Tuhotmos, Imperial Imdal grandson, \$750. Jeff Dupre, Washington; (337) 585-2642.

1995 AQHA gray stallion, Doc's Sug, Doc Bar & Bar Galon top, El Rey Copper, Julio Rojo on bottom, \$250/\$5 mare care. D. Martinez, Opelousas; (337) 942-2922.

Shining Sneakers, very calm & athletic, AQHA open superior reining, circuit championships, NRHA money earner, son of Shining Spark, \$750, plus mare care. Cheryl Borer, Walker; www.borerquarterhorses.com, (225) 667-7415.

Bay stallion, out of Smart Little Uno, son of Smart Little Lena by Pudden Teene daughter of Puddenhead, Doc's O'Lena, Smart Peppy, Doc's Marmoset, Doc Bar, Susie's Bay, Smart Little Lena, Puddenhead & Little Jodie on papers, \$400/\$5 mare care. Francis Benoit, Thibodaux; (985) 633-5537.

Own son of Smart Little Uno, out of a daughter of Puddenhead, Smart Little Lena, Doc's Marmoset Doc O'Lena, Smart Peppy, Doc Bar, Susie's Bay, Little Jodie, Harvey's Randy on his papers, \$400/\$5 mare care. F. Benoit, Thibodaux; (985) 633-5537.

9 yr. grandson of Puddenhead, bay, star, great disp., \$400/\$4 mare care. Jeannette B. Jackson, Jennings; www.quarter-horse.com or (337) 824-1642.

Blue roan stallion, Blue Valentine & Rowdy, Blue Man, line bred Hancock, heavy bone & great feet, 3 yrs., first breeding, limited, \$400/\$5 mare care. Laurie McDaniel, Ville Platte; (337) 461-2674 or (337) 224-7983.

Chestnut stallion, Colonel Freckles, War Leo, Senor George & Son of a Doc, produces extremely nice foals, great disp. & easy on the eyes, \$400/\$5 mare care. Kyle McDaniel, Ville Platte; (337) 461-2674 or (337) 224-7983.

Dun stallion, 100% color producer, Doc's Hickory, Doc O'Lena, Peppy San, Sonita's Last, absolutely beautiful, a must see, \$400/\$5 mare care. Jeff Brassette, Ville Platte; (337) 461-2674 or (337) 224-7983.

3 yr. Percheron stallion, jet black, \$100. Thomas Rigmaiden, DeRidder; (337) 463-7643.

App. stallion APHC, Obvious Steel, blk. & wh., foundation bred, 100% color producer, halter, performance & running bloodlines, great disp., conform. & athletic abilities, '05 reserve grand champ aged stallions & gelds., '06 1st in aged stallions & geld., \$400/\$5 mare care. Donnie Thrash, Bastrop; dixland@earthlink.net, <http://home.earthlink.net/~dixland>, (318) 556-2217 or (318) 237-8356.

SHEEP & GOATS

Katahdin sheep, rams & ewes w/lambs, different colors & spotted avail., \$150/1-up. Cale Deville, Branch; (337) 684-5328 or (337) 581-9227.

Tennessee meat goats, 7-9 mos., bucks, does & wethers, \$125/1-up. Wallace Lejeune, Branch; (337) 224-5668.

Fb reg. Boer doe, born 1/16/04, \$400; doe, born 11/24/05, \$300/1. Patrick Carriere, Carencro; (337) 896-3808.

Fb reg. Boer buck, born 8/26/04, correct color, excel. bloodlines, \$700. P. Carriere, Carencro; (337) 896-3808.

(2) NDGA blue-eyed mini Nigerian dwarf kids, have beautiful rich milk, easy to care for, love people and will make great pets, all kids dehorned, billies, \$150/1; nannies, \$250/1. C. Britton, Zachary; <http://dachshundfarms.com> (225) 658-9293 or (225) 939-5391.

(4) young Pygmy bucks, all colors to choose from, all around 8 wks., very tame, \$85 or as wethers, \$65/1. Megan Losavio, Torbert; www.geocities/friscofarms, (225) 223-2008 or (225) 625-4439.

NPGA reg. Pygmy buck, caramel, 8 wks., very nice conform., very tame, \$150. Vincent Losavio, Torbert; www.geocities/friscofarms, (225) 223-2008 or (225) 625-4439.

100% fb. reg. Boer buck, born 8/29/05, Eggstreme bloodline, \$250/1; percentage Boer buck, born 5/13/05, \$125/1; kids, female & wethers, born 2/06, female, \$100/1; wethers, \$125/1. Anna Hernandez, Erwinville; (225) 627-6498.

Boer male goats, \$75/1-up. R. LaBorde, Hessmer; (318) 563-4566.

Male Katahdin lambs & male baby brush goats, \$50/1. Randy Miller, Eunice; (337) 546-6537 or (337) 779-2646.

Boer billy, Alpine/Boer billy & nanny, born 3/16/06, Nubian/Alpine billies, born 1/25/06. Bonnie, Denham Springs; bonniesfarm@charter.net or (225) 791-2968.

Fb Boer doe kid, \$250; 50% Boer buck kid, \$75; 1 yr. fb Boer buck, \$200. Matthew Mathis, Gonzales;

(225) 622-3037.

3 yr. 1/2 Boer doe, 2 mos., 3/4 Boer female, 4-H project, very gentle, \$200/both. Matthew Hawkins, Gonzales; (225) 647-7633.

St. Croix hair sheep, spring lambs, hoof rot/parasite & heat resistant, no shearing, mild flavored meat, reg. ewes & rams, \$150-\$200. Jeff Kuehny, Clinton; (225) 235-3936.

Boer goats, (1) 4 mo. buck, 100%, \$125; (1) 4 mo. buck, 96.88%, \$100; (2) wethers, \$75/1; percentage does, \$100/1-up. Allen Dugas, Tickfaw; (985) 542-0252.

Boer goat, male billy, born 1/12/06, \$50; (2) Lamancha male billies, pretty colors, born 1/17/06, \$50/1. Leland Authement, Houma; (985) 876-7733.

NPGA reg. pygmy goat babies, perfect for 4-H, does, \$200; bucks, \$150. Toby Guillory, Rosedale; www.tjsfarms.com or (225) 939-3071.

Boer goats, %, 1/2-7/8 babies, nanny, billies & wethers, born starting 1/16/06, \$50/1-up. Angela Hazelton, Dry Prong; (318) 899-1932.

Boer goats, (2) 1 yr. bucks, fb, \$150/1. Sam Ward, Farmerville; (318) 368-8972.

NPGA reg. & non reg. pygmy goats, does, bucks & wethers, great pets, show, 4-H, \$85/1-up. Mary Beth Anderson, New Roads; www.geocities.com/cajunland-pygmygoats, (225) 618-0908 or (225) 718-5756.

Wanted: reg. dwarf Nigerian dairy goat buck for breeding purposes. Ward Kelley, Poplarville, Miss. (601) 795-9205.

Wanted: (6) Boer nannies, wh. w/red head. Norman Ordeneaux, Lake Arthur; (337) 774-2641.

LIVESTOCK DOGS

Border collie pups, excel. bloodline, blk. & wh., \$250/1. Bennie Lee, Greensburg; (225) 222-6287.

Reg. AKC Yorkshire terrier pup, male, \$500. Donna Lee, Bogalusa; (985) 732-4072.

Small bred rat terrier pups, male, born 1/13/06, \$50/1. Prejean Fontenot, Dason; (337) 334-4161.

CKC Jack Russell terriers, 4 female, 1 male, smooth coat, short legs, \$200/1. Kevin Simpson, Prairieville; (225) 673-4382.

AKC Shar-pei pups, very wrinkled, \$500; dog kennels, \$125. Shelia Wills, Jennings; (337) 824-5197 or (337) 789-0699.

Jack Russell pups, 6 wks., very smart & very cute, pb, 9 mo. female Jack Russell, \$200. Lloyd Menard, Sr., Eunice; (337) 457-3953.

ABCA Border collie pups, born 1/26/06, blk & wh., \$200. R. LaBorde, Hessmer; (318) 563-4566.

AKC flashy boxer pups, 6 wks., champ. bloodline, brindle & fawn, vet. checked, shots & wormed, \$400-\$600. Laurie Rivers, Tickfaw; (985) 345-1449 or (985) 969-4914.

Jack Russell pups, born 3/14/06, (2) males, (1) female, taking deposits, \$75/1. D. W. Pelt, Pitkin;

(318) 358-3391.

CKC reg. Chihuahua pups, male & female, many colors, keep your property rat free, \$275/1-up. C. Wagner, Covington; (985) 893-7843.

NALC Catahoula, (1) 16 mos., male, blk. leopard, (1) 20 mos., blk. leopard, female, baying in pen & on hogs, \$175/1. Hulon Stevens, Loranger; (985) 878-6519.

Coon & squirrel dog, red tick hound, lots of go & hunt, \$800. Bain Johnson, Pitkin; (318) 358-5117

Pb Australian blue heeler, 7 mos., all shots up-to-date, ready to be trained to your needs. Winnis Dupre, Opelousas; (337) 826-3871.

Goat dog, border collie, will track goats or sheep, 1 1/2 yrs., female, \$500 obo. H.E. Plants, Minden; (318) 371-0121.

AKC mini dachshund, lots of colors, red, chocolate/tan, Isabella & blue & Issy sired pups, all well socialized, \$350/1-up. Cynthia Britton, Zachary; <http://dachshundfarms.com> (225) 658-9293 or (225) 939-5391.

SWINE

Feeder/weanling pigs, corn fed, on concrete, weaning to 200 lbs., \$45/1. J. B. Richard, Scott; (337) 269-1755.

Mini potbellied pigs, \$50/1-up. Shelia Wills, Jennings; (337) 824-5197 or (337) 789-0699.

Feeder pigs, wh., healthy, lean & long, \$47.5/1-up. Les Foreman, Indian Bayou; (337) 334-5820.

DOMESTIC BIRDS & EQUIPMENT

Metal nest boxes, all sizes, \$15/1-up, lovebird babies, \$35/1-up; lilac crown Amazon pr., \$800; blue crown breeder, \$250, '05 ringneck lacewing. M. Finch, Walker; (225) 665-9837.

Ringneck dove, normals & wh., \$7.5-\$10/1; proven mated prs., \$20-\$30/pr. Thomas Rowell, Crowley; (337) 783-5729.

Cockatiels, breeder age & hand fed, grays, peds, cinnamons, lutinos, albinos, white-face, pearls & most combos all seamless banded & certificate included, \$30/1-up. Samantha Ivy, Morgan City; (985) 631-3498.

Parakeets, beautiful colors, must 1/2 English, \$10/1. Dennis Berry, Bogalusa; (985) 750-9652.

Hf Alexandrine babies, Polyoma vacc., weaned or unweaned, very tame, \$200/1. Ellis Sisk, Baker; (225) 774-7414.

Lovebirds, \$35/1; blue mask, \$45; rainbow lorries, \$250/1; red lorries, \$300/1; male sun conures, \$150/1; cherry heads, \$400/pr.; ringneck prs., \$350-\$400. Jeff Walton, Livingston; (225) 937-9159.



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Lory, sex unknown, talker, \$250 or will trade for hf young lory. Andrea Williams, Amite; (985) 747-0255 or (985) 507-4487.

Indian ringneck parakeets, '05 hatch, blue, violet, violet-green/blue, also breeder prs., \$125/1-\$2000/pr. Kent Benton, Livingston; (225) 686-0248.

POULTRY, GAME, FOWL & EGGS

Laying silkie hens, roosters, \$12/pr.; gray Japanese hens, laying & beautiful roosters, \$12/pr. Darwin Givens, Kentwood; (985) 229-4252.

Mallard ducks, eggs, babies & mature flyers, 50¢-\$10/1. Jennifer Young, Zachary; (225) 654-0039 or (225) 445-5012.

Jumbo Pharaoh quail, day old chicks, \$40/100; wk. old chicks, \$75/100; live, \$22/doz.; dressed, \$25/doz.; hatching eggs, \$20/100; pickling eggs, \$10/100. Danny Comeaux, Abbeville; (337) 893-4194 or (337) 658-9744.

Jumbo Pharaoh quails, Georgia giant & bobwhite quail, all sized birds & eggs, plenty on hand, Pharaoh, \$2/1; Georgia giant, bobwhite, \$4/1; eggs, \$20/100. Shirley Franks, Lena; (318) 793-8018.

Geese, (14) flock of African Chinese, Embden, Roman, Toulouse, 4 yrs., male & female, \$20/1 or \$150/all or trade. M. Blalock, Jackson; (225) 634-5186.

Young roosters, red, very aggressive, about (15) left, \$6/1. Ernest Tauzin, Breau Bridge; (337) 332-6912.

Sexlink pullets, \$6/1. Floyd Cook, St. Amant; (225) 675-2674 or (225) 715-0475.

Silver lace Cornish baby chick, \$1.5; baby guinea, \$1.5. Lester Fuselier, Eunice; (337) 457-4265.

Large wh. guineas, 1 yr., \$9/1. Irby Sonnier, Opelousas; (337) 942-5081.

Pb Malaysian Seramas, \$35/pr. Kevin Stockman, Lake Charles; (337) 598-4221 or (337) 884-5029.

Wh. rock hens, laying, \$6/1; Muscovy ducks, wh. males, \$8/1; hens, \$6/1. Johnny Hebert, Gueydan; (337) 536-6612.

Gray call ducklings, \$5/1-up according to age. Hulen Stevens, Loranger; (985) 878-6519.

(9) old-time bantam cockerels, hatched 1/5/06, \$4/1 or \$32/all. Mike Smith, Many; (318) 256-5214.

Ringneck pheasant chicks, \$1.5/1; ringneck pheasant eggs, 65¢/1, will ship eggs if desired, call for details. Darrell Arabie, Dusan; (337) 849-3718.

Assorted bantams, chicks to cockerels & pullets, \$3-\$7/1. Michelle Mansur, Clinton; (225) 405-7385.

Pheasants, (2) trios, yellow golden, \$60/trio; (3) pr. red. silver capped golden, \$50/pr.; (1) trio salmon golden, \$75/trio. Doyle Davis, Norwood; (225) 629-5546.

Pharaoh quails, golden Manchurian & wh., eggs, 20¢/1; live, 40¢-\$2.1/1; dressed, \$28/doz. Harry Ardoin, Ville Platte; (337) 363-7176 or (337) 360-2896.

Rabbit or quail cages, \$10/1-up. H. Ardoin, Ville Platte; (337) 363-7176 or (337) 360-2896.

Pr. wood ducks; pr. marble teal; pr. blk. tree ducks; pr. Mandarin ducks; 1 red head male; pr. pintail. Gregory Billiot, Gray; (985) 876-9781 or (985) 991-6866.

Silkie/jungle fowl roosters, \$8/1; large domestic Muscovy drakes, \$15/1. Kent Benton, Livingston; (225) 686-0248.

Fertile duck eggs for setting or eating, \$1.5/doz.; baby ducks, \$1.5/1; fertile chicken eggs for setting or eating, \$1/doz.; chicks, 75¢/1. Ervin Crawford, Hammond; (225) 294-3767.

Fresh yard eggs, \$1.25/doz. Barbara Ward, Saline; (318) 576-9955.

Wanted: bantams, Mille Fluer hens/rooster. Joe Courville, Leesville; (337) 794-3645.

Wanted: pure red jungle fowl, exotic waterfowl, wild type & flying mallards. Chuck Self, Minden; (318) 377-8232.

PIGEONS

Texas Pioneers, \$10/1; Mondinas, \$10/1. Ronald Steib, Vacherie; (225) 265-4824.

RABBITS & EQUIPMENT

Flemish giants, (1) male, (1) female, 1 yr., \$15/1; (1) male, 2 yrs., \$15/1; 2 & 3 mo. bunnies, \$7/1. Bruce Batiste, Slidell; (985) 639-9770.

Small bunnies, wh. w/blk. spots, solid blk., 10 wks., \$7/1. Darwin Givens, Kentwood; (985) 229-4252.

DEER & EXOTICS

Red deer, (2) males, 10 mos., \$600/1; (2) females, bred, 2 yrs., \$700/1; male & female pr., \$1200. Jim Merritt, Livingston; (225) 686-1103 or (225) 413-0941.

Water buffalo, (6) bred cows, due 6/06, (1) bull, \$8000/all. Herbert LeJeune, Oakdale; (337) 639-2953.

AQUACULTURE & EQUIPMENT

Blue catfish, 25¢/1; channel catfish, 20¢/1; coppernose bluegill, 25¢/1; hybrid bluegill, 25¢/1; chinquapin, 30¢/1; blk. crappie, 30¢/1; bass, 50¢/1, del. avail. David Lowe, Minden; (318) 377-1525.

Diesel pump, \$100. Ray Couvillion, Abbeville; (337) 893-1996 or (337) 523-3228.

Alum. shrimp boat, 23' long, 8' wide, w/50' shrimp troll, 32" deep, 150 hp Evinrude & heavy duty trailer, \$4500. Shelia Wills, Jennings; (337) 824-5197 or (337) 789-0699.

Pond stocking, catfish, bluegill, hybrid bream, largemouth bass, blk. crappie, discount prices, free del. Mark Parker, Simpson; (800) 362-3390.

FARM SERVICES

Custom harvesting (2) JD 9600 combines, all of Louisiana areas, reasonable rates, all support equip. & trucks included, booking wheat now. Boogie Bass, Jonesville; (318) 339-6734 or (318) 758-6369.

Dog training, obedience, gun dog & hunt tests. Ben Young, Zachary; www.y-farms.com or (225) 445-5012.

Horse boarding, stalls for rent & pasture, full or partial board, lots of riding area, rd. pen, trailer storage, in West Baton Rouge area. D. Gentile, Port Allen; (225) 328-2198 or (225) 627-9562.

Four Winds custom saddles & tack, repair saddles, all saddles done w/US leather, all work guaranteed. Paul Miller, Glenmora; (318) 634-7463.

Service for hire, trac. work, \$35/hr.; dozer work, \$45/hr.; backhoe work, \$45/hrs; hauling service, \$1.93/mile, one way. Wayne Ward, Saline; (318) 576-9958 or (318) 471-9272.

Beef carcass ultrasound, CUP lab cert. tech., artificial insemination, freeze branding, custom made freeze brands. Trent Graves, Prairieville; www.bluebonnetlive-stock.com or (225) 324-5501.

Will aerate fields using Aerway, minimize runoff & increase yields, reduce soil compaction, \$40/acre & up, depending on location. J. Pieri, Folsom; (985) 981-2427.

Custom cut grain & soybeans, hauling avail., Case IH 2388, 25' header, Y&M monitor, extended bin. Ronnie Prather, Marksville; (318) 305-1265 or (318) 253-4981.

Custom harvest wheat, milo, beans, can arrange hauling. Ron Fuqua, Marksville; (318) 253-4682.

Custom hay baling of rd. & sq. bales within 40 miles of Baton Rouge, good equip., references avail., \$15/rd., \$1.5/sq. Chad Lasseigne, Prairieville; (225) 413-9138.

No till grain drill available to use on your farm for a fee. Bryan Payne, Broussard; (337) 837-5813 or (337) 654-4754.

Land leveling, ponds, nursery site work, surveying, tracs. w/scrapers, laser equipped, dozers & hoes. Byron Lemoine, Hamburg; (318) 997-2163.

Horse training in family setting, all breeds & ages, call for apt. only. Angie Hazelton, Dry Prong; (318) 899-1932.

RURAL PROPERTIES

Must offer ten (10) or more adjoining acres of land located in Louisiana. Farmland ads MUST include accompaniments (house, barn, hay field, garden, and what the land is best suited for). Proof of ownership may be required. All ads MUST be accompanied by the following owner-signed statement: "This property is personally owned by me and is not offered for sale by a licensed real estate dealer, broker or salesman."

Wanted: to lease rent or barter, pasture land for cattle in the Bush, Covington or Folsom area. Michael Pichoff, Covington; (985) 898-2252 or (504) 495-6416.

SEEDS, FLOWERS & ORNAMENTALS

Pine Straw, machine baled, clean, del. available, \$4/1. Ronald Gremillion, Zachary; (225) 933-7753.

Blackberries, Roseborough, large, sweet, 1 & 2-gal., at place, \$6/1; blueberries, three varieties, \$7/1. James Robin, Sr., 4017 Hwy. 357, Opelousas, LA 70570; (337) 407-0188.

Virus resistant, Stilleto bell peppers, tomatoes BHN 640, Amelia & Health kick, 4" pots, \$1.25/1 at place. James Robin, Sr., 4017 Hwy. 357, Opelousas, LA 70570; (337) 407-0188.

Daylilies, plants, \$1/1 or \$5/6; purple iris, \$5/18. Dean, Marksville; (318) 253-8384.

Bromeliad, 4'x4'x3', huge & heavy, sharp leaves & red cone flowers, \$25. Ellis Sisk, Baker; (225) 774-7414.

Perique tobacco seeds, La. native, grown by Choctaws & French, send SASE & \$2/200 seeds. Jim Bowman, 165 Bowman Road, Jonesville, LA 71343; (318) 339-4289.

Border grass, liriopie, green, silver & monkey, \$1 & \$2/per bucket. Sharkey Chaney, Gonzales; (225) 673-3884.

Birdseye, & Peter peppers, pink trumpet, stephanotis, pincushion & purple bean vines, chinaberry, yellow squash, yard long beans, bicolor confederate rose, yellow candle stick, Malabar climbing spinach, morning glory, mixed red & wh. cypress vine, \$1.5/pkt. w/SASE. Morris Collura, 3237 Louisiana Ave., Lake Charles, LA, 70601; (337) 478-7075.

Wanted: planter to plant small seeds that fits in middle of trac., I have Farmall 140 trac. Sam Sparacio, Westwego; (504) 431-9150.

Questions about circulation or lost bulletins?
Contact the
Circulation Department
at (225) 922-1268.

TREES & FRUITING VINES

Fig trees, 2 yrs., 2-gal., \$10/1; 20 varieties, SASE for list, will ship. Betty Robin, 4017 Hwy 357, Opelousas, LA 70570; (337) 407-0188.

Orient pear trees, grafted, 10', \$25/1; celeste fig, 8'-10', \$21/1. James Robin, 4017 Hwy 357, Opelousas, LA 70570; (337) 407-0188.

Taiwan cherry trees, in 1 & 3 gal. containers, 6', \$15/1; 8', \$20/1. Emile Cancienne, Baton Rouge; (225) 925-8892.

Celeste & brown turkey fig, \$5/1; southern magnolia, 3-gal., \$10; jelly palms & windmill palms, \$5-\$15/1, by size; red buckeye, \$5/3 qt.; monkey grass, \$1/3 qt. tufts; pygmy date palms, \$15/3-gal.; sago palms, \$10/2-gal. James Stelly, Eunice; (337) 457-4528.

Oleanders, 5' tall, \$8/1; crape myrtles, 8' tall, \$8.5/1. Richard Satterley, Melville; (337) 566-3708.

Hunting clubs & deer hunters, saw-tooth acorn trees, 5-gal. containers, \$10/1; thornless blackberries, 2-gal. containers, \$6/1. Richard Satterley, Melville; (337) 566-3708.

Louisiana live oaks, good stock, single leader, 1-gal., 2'-3', \$2/1. A. M. Gray, III, Patterson; (985) 395-5193 or (985) 518-4711.

Mayhaw trees, large fruited varieties, also sago palms, Pindo (jelly) palms, Mexican plum, native magnolia, burr oak, \$10-\$35/1. Kent Benton, Livingston; (225) 686-0248.

Fancy red cherry bush, \$6/1; green ischia, Celeste, blk. LSU figs, \$8-\$20/1; Myers & sweet lemons, \$6-\$75/1; wh. peach, \$5-\$20/1; yellow candlestick, \$10/1; purple dbl. bush trumpet, \$8/1; seven sisters red rose bush. Morris Collura, 3237 Louisiana Ave., Lake Charles, LA, 70601; (337) 478-7075.

All kinds of plants & trees, lilies, roses, shrubs, bushes, blooming now in pots, hundreds to choose from, \$1-\$25, buy me out, make offer on several thousand plants, send SASE for list. Lee Cook, 56463 Hwy. 445, Husser, LA 70442; (985) 748-7043.

Wanted: (2) native crab apple trees, (6) La. blue phlox. Y. D'Angelo, Covington; (985) 892-7296.

FERTILIZER

Top soil, sand, horse manure & shavings mix, ideal for flower gardens, \$12/per yard. Lee Cook, Husser; (985) 748-7043.

Free horse manure, will load. B.J. Hotard, Hammond; (225) 294-6690.

HAY & GRAIN

2006 premium fert. Bahia hay, horse quality, sq. bales, \$3.5/1, taking reservations now. Claire McCrary, Zachary; olddairy-farm@hotmail.com or (225) 802-3063.

2006 Alicia/Bahia/Coastal/Tifton-44/Johnsongrass, all mixed hay, \$35-\$45/1, del. avail. at \$1.93/mile, one way. Wayne Ward, Saline; (318) 576-9958 or (318) 471-9273.

Argentine Bahia hay, sq. bales, \$2.5/1; 4x5 rd. bales for cattle, \$20/1, in barn. Allen Dugas, Tickfaw; (985) 542-0252.

Mixed grass rd. bales, baling early to mid May, call to order, \$12/1. C. Lasseigne, Prairieville; (225) 413-9138.

5x5 Bahia bales, in barn, '05, \$10/1. Loyton Courville, Sunset; (337) 662-3758.

2006 1st cut mixed Alicia/Clover/grass, fert., 36" sq. bales, in field, \$3; in barn, \$3.5, baling late April-early May. David Fontenot, Ville Platte; (337) 363-4334 or (337) 363-3523.

(200) 5' rd. Bahia grass, \$15/1. Buck Maurin, Hammond; (985) 320-8659.

Wanted: Jiggs Bermuda sprigs or Tifton 44 sprigs to plant, reasonably priced, will buy by the truck load or bushel. C. Lasseigne, Prairieville; (225) 413-9138.

TRACTORS & EQUIPMENT

10' NH hay fluffer, excel. cond., \$500. A. Gremillion, Ventress; call after 6 p.m. (225) 638-8135.

Ford 1710, excel. cond., 3 cyl. diesel, 28 hp, \$5800. Danny Leger, Eunice; (337) 459-9597.

MM 45 hp trac., 3 pt. & PTO, \$7500; 7' grooming mower, \$1750; 8' HD bush hog, \$2000. M. Nunez, Baton Rouge; (225) 892-5938.

3 pt. hitch, 6' heavy duty plow, \$500. Lester Fuselier, Eunice; (337) 457-4265.

Minneapolis-Moline, model G 1000, \$2000; 12' bush hog, \$3000; 10' 3 pt. hitch bush hog, \$2200. Freddie Rick, Kentwood; (985) 229-2279.

Ford 3000 diesel trac., \$5000; 5' bush hog, \$500. F. Rick, Kentwood; (985) 229-2279.

(2) JD turf tires, mounted on JD rims, fits JD 850 & 950 & some Yanmar tracs., good shape, \$325/both. Gary Horne, Oakdale; (318) 335-3357.

17' Fella hay fluffer, 4 basket, good cond., \$1800. Joe Pieri, Folsom; (985) 981-2427.

JD 30 hp diesel w/p/s, new tires, in good cond., \$5500. Carroll Songy, Loranger; (985) 902-9073.

White 105 w/front-end loader, 80% rubber, good cond., \$11,000.

Pierre Broussard, Maurice; (337) 984-9495.

1960 MF 35 deluxe gas trac., needs generator & other repairs, \$1000. Charles Romero, Lake Charles; (337) 478-5757.

Komatsu D-20P dozer, 6-way 8' blade, wide tracks, \$12,500; Int. 484 w/loader, 42 PTO hp, 8 spds., \$7500; Int. 454 w/loader, 40 PTO hp, 8 spds., \$6900. J. Guillot, Hessmer; (318) 563-4776.

Case 990 w/loader & 7' box scraper, \$7500; Ford 4000, \$5700; Ford 3000, \$4500. Joe Major, Church Point; (337) 684-6474 or (337) 945-6960.

Ford 134 cubic inch gas block, \$695; reworked head, \$625; radiator, \$125; 4 spd. trans., 600 model, \$750; 190 XT diesel head, \$200; used 5000 hyd. pump, \$295. James Degeyter, Arnaudville; (337) 754-7682.

4840 p/s trans., (2) new 20.8 tires, \$16,000; JD combine 6620 new tires, all around good cond., \$6500; Rayne grain cart, \$1800; JD 4-row corn head, \$3000; IHC 485 disc, new blades, \$3500; 1000-gal. water tank, \$1000, all in very good cond. Doug Boudreaux, Simmesport; (318) 941-2614.

Lillison 8-row cult., \$1000; IHC 863 corn header, \$2000; JD 33 1/2' field cult., \$2000; Eddins grain cart, 350 bushel, \$2000; JJ 7100 planter, 13-row, \$2000; JD 8-row hipers, \$1500; JD 8-row middle buster, \$1000. Lee Davis, Opelousas; (337) 543-6765.

JD 2520 trac., 59 hp, good cond., kept in shed w/JD front-end loader, \$7800. Ennett Firmin, Palmetto; (337) 623-5461.

254 NH fluffer rake combo, good running cond., \$800. Clay Pierce, Thibodaux; (985) 447-6100.

(2) four-shank cultivators, \$125/1.; 1 or 2-row side dresser, \$350; heavy-duty hipper, \$300. Sheila Lemoine, Covington; (225) 939-4906.

48" Kubota mower deck, needs idler bearing, \$250; HD 1-row planter, \$300. Fabian Geisman, Atlanta; (318) 646-9415.

55 hp trac., front-end loader, 3 pt. & PTO, 8' HD bush hog, \$12,000, both like new. M. Nunez, Baton Rouge; (225) 892-5938.

3 pt. hitch, 6' heavy duty plow, \$500. Lester Fuselier, Eunice; (337) 457-4265.

JD 4020 trac., \$9000; Howard 7' tiller, \$950; JD flail mower, \$1900; heavy-duty 3 pt. disc, \$3000; Bobcat concrete breaker, \$2500. James Bourgeois, Raceland; (985) 537-3750.

Kubota trac. N6800, cab/air '02 front-loader, 700 hrs., \$23,500. Grady Dugas, Parks; (337) 845-4774.

JD 6000 hi-cycle cab, a/c, \$6000; JD 6000, hi-cycle cab, a/c, \$3000. H. C. Boone Jr., Lecompte; (318) 776-9458.

M8200 Kubota 2003 w/front-end loader, 2 sets remote valves, 536 hrs., no air, 4 wd, \$26,000. Loyton Courville, Sunset; (337) 662-3758.

JD 7720 combine w/22' grain head & 4-row corn head, one owner, \$9000; JD 7100 8-row

planter, \$1000; 8-blade levee plow, \$650, all equip. in good cond. R. Byone, Cloutierville; (318) 379-0147.

Red IH Farmall cub trac. w/belly mower, needs work, \$800 obo. Norwood Milton, Gonzales; (225) 955-2200.

JD 924 flex header, good cond., \$3000; JD quick hitch, cat 2 or 3, \$600. Russell Deselle, Bunkie; (318) 481-5745.

New 20 hp Miller 250 AC/DC welder w/10,000 watt generator, no leads, \$3000. Curt Bowers, Jennings; after 5 p.m. (337) 824-0009.

JD 70 1956 elec. start, new intake & exhaust manifold, runs very well, serial 703-4462, \$2200. Shawna Harper, Sieper; (318) 793-4285 or (318) 542-9118.

Spreader, \$200; row hipper, heavy-duty, \$225; cult. attachment, \$100; bush hog, needs gear box, \$50; head gate, \$100; cattle guard, \$100. Charles Abrams, Independence; (985) 878-4255.

NH 851 hay baler, NH 452 disc mower, 8-wheel, 3 pt. hitch hay rake, \$3000. Chris Jeansonne, Simmesport; acj@krocket.net or (318) 941-2077.

Ford 8N trac., very clean, in good cond., good rubber, barn kept, \$3000. F. A. Calcote, Bunkie; (318) 346-6486 or (318) 201-0323.

HC 6 M&W hay cutter, 8', good cond., field ready, all new belts, \$1100. Lynn Soileau, Opelousas; (337) 543-7944 or (337) 351-0759.

706 Int. trac., 95 hp, \$3500; aerator, \$1200; front trac. weights, \$300. Shelia Wills, Jennings; (337) 824-5197 or (337) 789-0699.

IH 5 bar hay rake, \$750; spear, \$75; bale lift, \$250; 5' bush hog, \$150; boom lift w/hyd. ext., \$300; 4R single toolbar, \$100. Harold Laborde, Marksville; (318) 253-8252.

5' bush hog, \$150. Gerard Jeansonne, Marksville; (318) 253-9880.

Boom for 3 pt. hitch, 14' will pickup at the ground & go straight up, heavy duty shop built, used to erect metal buildings, barns etc., needs cyl., \$450. Chris Douget, Ville Platte; (37) 363-6763.

BEFCO C50 series model RD6, 72" rear discharge grooming mower, 3 yrs. this June, excel. cond, requires 20-50 PTO hp, \$1100. Ken Lyon, Scott; (337) 849-8907.

S & L land leveler or similar type land plane, any cond., any length. Jim Bondy, Jarreau; (225) 627-5067.

Int. 1460 axial flow combine, 20' header, cab air works, small grain screen, carpet grass screen, good rubber, mud hog, \$7900; 14' Brillion chisel plow, \$350; 300-gal. 20' boom spray rig, 3 pt. hitch, great cond., \$700. Todd, Slaughter; (225) 505-7290.

Alum. grooming chute, ideal for show cattle. Randy Deshotel, Ville Platte; (337) 363-4173 or (337) 962-1910.

(225) 18-bushel sweet potato bins, \$20/1; (300) 20 bushel bins,

\$20/1; 4-row mechanical planter pull & 3 wh. type w/tank, good shape, \$300, also bedding equip. Michael Quebedeaux, Woodworth; (318) 767-9890 or (318) 201-8246.

Ford hay baler, \$2000; 4 head gates, \$800/1; '73 Ford truck w/20' iron bed, 225 Cat engine, \$1000; Taylor made truck lift, \$1000. Buck Maurin, Hammond; (985) 320-8659.

JD 4020, strong engine, new injector pump, 100% rubber, shift problems, \$5500. Tom Richard, Scott; (337) 235-0764.

2005 JD 990, 4 wd, front-end loader, 5' rotary mower, 5' box blade, like new, 28 yrs., \$20,000. Frank Caldwell, Bush; (985) 630-9904.

NH 256 hay rake, \$950; MF 3 pt. hay rake, \$450; NH 273 sq. baler, \$2500; Kuhn GMD 55 HD cutter, \$2750; Ford 3000 diesel, p/s, \$5250; MF 282 diesel, \$3900; JD 850 diesel, canopy, \$5800. R. Coldiron, Jonesville; (318) 339-7876.

IH 244 diesel 3400; 9' Waldon blade, \$5000; 6610 Ford w/cyl., \$500; Ford pull type rake, \$350; Vermeer 605F, \$2750; GMD 66 HD Kuhn cutter, \$2750; NH 720 4x4 w/loader, \$9500. J. R. Coldiron, Jonesville; (318) 729-3441.

Hesston 4570 center line baler w/manual, excel. cond., used little, \$8750; NH 1012 bale wagon w/manual, \$2250. Glenn Kenney, Sicily Island; (318) 722-3501.

880B Case excavator w/5' clean out bucket, reg. tooth bucket & narrow trench bucket, \$10,000. Duane Spears, St. Landry; (318) 838-2462.

Subsoiler, \$500; 6600 JD combine, rice special, w/all crop header & corn header, \$3500. Duane Spears, St. Landry; (318) 838-2462.

Like new, 28 hp, 4x4 w/loader & top, 26 hrs. on trac., \$9000. Dickie Sherman, Crowley; from 8:30 a.m.-8:00 p.m. (337) 788-0240 or (337) 250-5524.

Ford 3000 p/s, 8 spds., 40 PTO hp, \$4500; Yanmar 3 cyl. diesel trac., 4 wd, 900 hrs., 26 hp, \$4300. D. Barrere, Moreauville; (318) 997-2581.

Orthman folding row markers, 8-row heavy-duty, \$700; JD 924 flex header, \$3000. Russell Deselle, Bunkie; (318) 481-5745.

NH 849 rd. baler, \$1500; NH 462 hay cutter, \$2000. Cliff Dronut, New Iberia; (337) 365-5814.

Ford 1700 trac., good cond., 1100 hrs., \$4000. Tim Guillory, Livonia; (225) 637-3348 or (225) 485-0726.

JD 4630 cab/air, power shift, good cond., trac. only, \$10,000 obo; w/new Bush Hog loader, '86 Ford F-250 diesel pickup, \$1500 obo. Chris Berthelot, Oak Grove; (318) 428-8548 or (318) 282-1719.

1327 JD hay disc mower/cond., tine type, good cond., rebuilt cutter bar, ready to work, \$2950; hyd. hay fork, 3 pt. attachment, w/stack rolled hay on trailer or 2-3 high in barn, good cond., \$600. J. W.

Willis, Elm Grove; (318) 746-0079.

Rhino 15' Magnum flex-wing, great cond., new paint, very strong, 1000 PTO, \$6000. Myron Mayeaux, Lake Charles; (337) 274-8405.

JD 2030, all new trans. gears & I PTO w/2 new 15.5x38 high cleat tires, great cond., \$12,000. Pete dela Houssaye, Duson; (337) 258-6227.

Kubota trac. N6800 cab/air, '02 front-loader, 700 hrs., \$23,500. Grady Dugas, St. Martinville; (337) 845-4774.

605K Vermeer baler, 10' Kuhn cutter, 8-wheel V rake, \$10,000 firm. Larry Gill, Winnsboro; (318) 722-6466.

855 NH rd. baler, \$2500; 7' hay cutter, \$2500; 684 Int. trac. w/front-end loader, \$12,500. J. L. Beasley, Baker; (225) 775-4355 or (225) 276-9410.

416 Caterpillar backhoe, \$18,500; model EL 240 B track-hoe, \$25,000; KG shearing dozer blade, \$995. J. L. Beasley, Baker; (225) 775-4355 or (225) 276-9410.

Rear trac. tire, 14.9x28, 95% rubber, \$175. Harris Boss, Church Point; (337) 896-5783.

JD spin spreader C-381 3 pt. Cat 1 or 11 heavy-duty gearbox, four spread patterns seed fert. capacity 992 lbs., just used for seed, used for 30 hrs., \$950. Joe Richard, Opelousas; (337) 692-4966.

5' pull-type shredder, need new top deck cover, good gear box & new tires, \$100. Mitch Romero, Maurice; (337) 898-2530 or (337) 319-4544.

9700 Ford trac. w/8' dozer blade, \$8000; 2-70 wh. trac. w/front-end loader, \$10,000; 715 Int. combine, \$5500; 479 NH reel hay mower, \$500; Walton hay rake, \$150; 12' Amaco breaking disc, \$700; 606 JD shredder, \$500. Darrell LeNormand, Eunice; (337) 457-4035.

Diadem broadcast, \$100; grain cart, \$500; 7' grader blade, \$150; modern 9" post hole digger, \$300; relief pump, \$100; JD single row make equip., \$350; 386 1-row IH planter, \$200; Ferguson rotary ditch maker, \$250; 200-gal. fuel tank, \$100. D. LeNormand, Eunice; (337) 457-4035.

JD sq. baler 337, \$3700; NH 1033 stackliner bale wagon, \$4200; Sitrex 8-wheel V rake, 3 pt. hitch, all in good cond., field ready, \$1000. Terry Grady, Batchelor; (225) 492-3211.

JD 1020, 45 hp, p/s, kept in barn, \$5500; JD 310A rubber tire backhoe, front-end loader, runs great, 12" & 24" buckets, new tires, batteries, runs & looks great, \$10,000. T. Billeaud, Maurice; (337) 319-1814.

Pasture Dream planter, \$3725; mold poison killer, \$714; Bermuda King sprig harvester, \$5375; 6' row cult., \$738; Ford 5000 trac., \$78,274; 1210 David Brown trac., \$79,274; Ford 4000 trac., \$80,274; 5610 NH trac., \$81,274. Wayne Ward, Saline; (318) 576-9958 or (318) 471-9272.

Ford TW-10 trac., \$93,970; Cub Cadet 44' riding lawn mower, \$3340; Lowes 44" riding lawn mower, \$3340; special chain tiller, \$550; Vermeer 554 XL baler, \$44,705; 8-wheel Sitrex hay rake, \$8600; 8'1" Marangon MD 245 hay mower, \$3517. Wayne Ward, Saline; (318) 576-9958 or (318) 471-9272.

Case model 880 track hoe, ditching bucket attached, also loading bucket, ready to go, \$12,500. Patrick B., Alexandria; (318) 487-0447.

PTO spray pump w/hoses & spray wand w/55-gal. plastic barrel, \$175. Garry Lavergne, Ville Platte; (337) 363-5888.

Diesel Cub, IH 274, middle buster, Bush Hog disc, front & rear toolbars, 6 adjustable plow feet, two hillers, misc plows, good cond., less than 400 hrs., \$7500. H.E. Morris, Many; (318) 256-3816.

IH 856 115 hp, kept in barn, new batteries, \$6500. Thomas Billeaud, Maurice; (337) 319-1814.

5220 JD 4 wd, front-end loader, 2 remotes, rear trailer plug shuttle, 1003 hrs., \$23,250. Roudley Leblanc, Lafayette; (337) 837-6188.

3 pt. hitch grader blade, 6' wide, angles, made by Modern, \$150. Buford Landreneau, Ville Platte; (337) 461-5282.

Hay baler, NH 851, good for parts, \$500 obo. Judy Kilcrease, Farmerville; (318) 368-3876.

7' Int. sickle mower, 3 pt. hitch, will trade for post hole digger, \$300. Lendy Jones, Calhoun; (318) 644-1437.

410 JD rd. baler, 4x5 hydro-tie, \$1250. Charles White, Pitkin; (318) 358-5387.

JD 4020, 3 pt. hitch, good rubber, good paint, 2 post canopy, excel. cond., barn kept, \$9000. Don Leger, Opelousas; (337) 543-7784.

JD 5305, '04 55 hp at PTO, under 200 hrs., \$15,000. Anthony Meyers, New Iberia; (337) 365-4025.

Yellow & wh. Cub w/plow tools or belly mower, \$2000; 4' bush hog, \$325; 5' box blade, \$300, extra Cub parts & plow tools, call for prices. J. Cooper, Jena; (318) 992-2206.

Wanted: 8' or larger cultipacker. Larry Bordelon, Alexandria; (318) 445-8672.

Wanted: old JD 450 dozer for parts, any cond. Kevin Murphy, Folsom; (985) 796-9681.

Wanted: older Int. trac. w/front-end loader, 70+ hp. Preston Hutson, Bossier City; (318) 347-2008.

Wanted: rear blade for Ford 8N trac., preferably 5', light weight, can tilt to either side to clean or dig a ditch, also drag at an angle to roll or level dirt. W. J. LeBoeuf, Kaplan; (337) 643-2611.

Wanted: Bermuda grass sprigger for planting cutting and/or springs 2, 3, 4 or 5-row. Preston Hutson, Bossier City; (318) 347-2008.

Wanted: tires for Kubota L2550, 25 hp trac., new or used.

Ron Lawrence, Port Allen; (225) 892-7718.

Wanted: small gardening tools to make & take care of garden. Dickie Sherman, Crowley; from 8:30 a.m.-8:00 p.m. (337) 788-0240 or (337) 250-5524.

Wanted: 3 pt. V blade from farm trac to cut trees. J. W. Willis, Elm Grove; (318) 746-0079.

Wanted: pasture/hay field aerator renovator, any type or size. J. W. Willis, Elm Grove; (318) 746-0079.

Wanted: 4 cyl. diesel motor 18" bell housing. Shawna Harper, Sieper; (318) 793-4285 or (318) 542-9118.

Wanted: Kubota or Ford 4 wd w/remote valves, no more than 2 yrs., low hrs. Loyton Courville, Sunset; (337) 662-3758.

Wanted: body parts for Int. trac. model 660, 1961 model year. Sam Fontenot, Welsh; (337) 734-3927.

Wanted: 5' or 6' tiller to fit trac. Lonnie Sarver, Crowley; (337) 783-1275.

Wanted: 1-row sweet potato digger, in good shape, preferably drop-behind digger, might consider a riding digger. Ken Garris, Gilmer, TX; (903) 725-2244.

Wanted: tracs. & implements, working or not. Danny Leger, Eunice; (337) 457-9597.



1968 Chevy C-60 grain dump truck, new brakes, \$3000. Duane Spears, St. Landry; (318) 838-2462.

1990 Dodge ½-ton, 4 spd., new tires, new a/c, brakes & more, \$3000. Myron Mayeaux, Lake Charles; (337) 274-8405.

1973 tandem grain truck, \$7500; '79 Big 10 Chevy ½-ton pickup, new 350 GM engine, new trans., a true classic, \$7500. Darrell LeNormand, Eunice; (337) 457-4035.

1976 3500 Chevy w/Lincoln welder, \$85,000. Wayne Ward, Saline; (318) 576-9958 or (318) 471-9272.

1990 Dodge single cab, low mileage, a/c, p/s, radio, \$3000. H.H. Hargroder, Eunice; (337) 580-3351.

Fontaine 14-yard dump body, 13' long, new cyl., good cond. w/tarp, \$3000. Thomas Billeaud, Maurice; (337) 319-1814.

1984 Mack R-600, 350 hp, 9 spd., a/c, 40' Hobbs float, new brakes, tires, wood floor, lights, \$13,000/both. T. Billeaud, Maurice; (337) 319-1814.

2001 F-250 diesel XLT, 6 spd., ext. cab, 45,000 miles, hide-a-way hitch, spray-in bed liner, nerf bars, excel. cond., \$20,500. Jamie Miller, Ville Platte; (337) 506-3993.

1999 Chevy ¾-ton, 4x4, large mud grips, 454 motor, 94,000 miles, looks & runs like new,

\$8900. Joe Ferguson, Baker; (225) 775-2695.

1966 Ford F-600, dump truck, 6 yards, runs but needs some work, \$1200 or trade for 16' or 24' trailer. J. Zito, Holden; (225) 777-5054.

1995 Grand Wrangler Jeep, 8000 lb. Warn winch w/2 soft tops, a/c, tilt wheel, brand new tires, \$8000. Coy Jones, Bogalusa; (985) 732-9482.

1991 GMC 3500, 1-ton, 350 Vortec, 5 spd. trans., gooseneck hookup, 90% rubber, runs well, needs paint, \$2500. Harold Woodward, Franklinton; (985) 848-9131.

1985 Ford F-350 diesel, excel. shape, 60% rubber, auto trans. with a/c, all works well, welder body w/toolboxes, built into bed, ready to go, \$1850. H. Woodward, Franklinton; (985) 848-9131.

2004 Ford F-150, super crew, 4 dr, red, spray-in bed liner, chrome handles, blk. leather, tinted windows, excel. cond., 50,000 miles, \$27,500. J. Ryan, Jonesville; (318) 481-2739.

Steel truck body, 8'x22' w/steel roller on back, \$2000. Freddie Rick, Kentwood; (985) 229-2279.

1995 F-250 XLT super cab, 4x4 diesel, lwb, towing pkg. w/goose-neck hitch, one owner, 220,000 miles, \$3500. Bill Clattenburg, Montpelier; (225) 223-7521.

7'x16' truck body cooler, in working cond., elec., \$2000. Henry Amato, Independence; (985) 878-6566.

2003 3500 blk. Dodge dually diesel w/Cummins, 31,000 miles, blue book \$32,000, asking, \$30,000; '99 35' Alpha Ideal 5th wheel travel trailer, blue book \$32,000-\$38,000, asking \$31,000. A. Spiers, Denham Springs; (225) 664-0462.

Camper shell to fit small long bed truck, \$25. Harold Laborde, Marksville; (318) 253-8252.

1994 Chevy Silverado 3500, 1-ton dually, 6.5 Duramax turbo, diesel, loaded, one owner, near showroom cond., 97,000 miles, \$14,000 obo. Dickie Sherman, Crowley; call 8:30 a.m.-8 p.m. (337) 788-0240 or (337) 250-5524.

1990 Dodge Cummings diesel, 1-ton truck, cab & chasis, would make good farm truck, \$1200. Billy Montgomery, Lottie; (225) 718-2557.

1998 Dodge diesel, ¾-ton 4 dr., long bed, p/w, p/l, 5 spd. standard trans., 168,000 miles, excel. cond., Tonneau cover, blue w/gray, \$10,000 obo. Pat Burmaster, Folsom; (985) 796-5123.

Wanted: Dodge diesel 4 wd, 4 door, very low mileage, 1 yr. & Toyota truck, 4 dr, 1 yr., very low mileage. Loyton Courville, Sunset; (337) 662-3758.



Clements 30' dump trailer, good shape, good rubber, two gates, new ram pin bushings, new brakes, \$12,000 nego; wet kit

w/tank 27 gpm, \$1500. Myron Mayeaux, Lake Charles; (337) 274-8405.

2002 gooseneck trailer, \$24,455; 20' flatbed trailer, \$18,805; 1975 6000 GMC dump flatbed, \$80,645. Wayne Ward, Saline; (318) 576-9958 or (318) 471-9272.

1-horse custom built 2-wheel buggy, red & blk. w/gold pin stripes, oak trim & stainless steel HW, \$800. Don Elliott, Iowa; (337) 526-0260.

16'x6' S&H gooseneck cattle trailer, 16" wheels & new tires, good working cond., new iron, \$2800. Larry Duhon, Lafayette; (337) 652-6200.

House trailer for camp or storage, 8'x40' w/2 doors, \$1000. Freddie Rick, Kentwood; (985) 229-2279.

S&H stock trailer, bumper-pull, 6'x16", '89 model, \$1700. Roger Ducote, Glynn; (225) 627-4881 or (225) 922-3125.

Covered wagon, single or dbl. tree, 11', leather harness set, potty, rubber tires, \$900. William Baudoin, Maurice; (337) 893-1011.

(4) Firestone tires, 205-75 RIS, 1800 miles on tires, \$100/all. Barry Mayers, Prairieville; (225) 622-1458.

(35) cotton trailers, 8'-10' wide, 24'-40' long, in good to excel. cond., for hay trailers or storing crawfish traps, del. avail. \$750-\$1650/1. T.L. Enright Sr., Sicily Island; (318) 389-5395.

2005 gooseneck Tow Master dump trailer, tandem axle, dual wheels, 8'x20'x4', \$14,300 firm. R. L. Giamanco, Lettsworth; (225) 718-0405.

2005 16' flatbed utility trailer w/2' dovetail w/(2) 7' ramps, \$2500. W. C. Holland, Ragley; (337) 725-3970.

25' gooseneck trailer w/dove-tail, treated floor, \$5995 obo. Danny Leger, Eunice; (337) 457-9597.

5'x10' trailer w/drop gate, perfect for 4-wheelers, \$850. D. Leger, Eunice; (337) 457-9597.

Amish 2-seat buggy, newly restored, excel. cond., wooden wheels w/metal bands, kept in shed, \$1500. Wayne Smith, Tallulah; (318) 574-4262.

Cattle trailer, (2) axles, 4 tires, 2"x12" floor back door, opens two ways, \$150. Edward Montz, Reserve; (985) 536-2456.

Miniature wagon for sale, great cond., \$300. Thomas Rigmaiden, DeRidder; (337) 463-7643.

Wanted: used gooseneck flatbed, deck over wheels, 25' to 32' long. Preston Hutson, Bossier City; (318) 347-2008.



4-H show supply, \$300. G. Schexnayder, Donaldsonville; (225) 473-9844 or (225) 445-4131.

Alum. grooming chute, ideal for show cattle. Randy Deshotel, Ville Platte; (337) 363-4173 or (337) 962-1910.

Portable cattle squeeze trap, \$2000; 8' or longer corner posts, \$1/ft. Darrell LeNormand, Eunice; (337) 457-4035.

Okra cutters, hand operated, large model, \$160/1, others avail. Franklin Courville, Opelousas; (337) 407-0188.

Portable diesel hydraulic water well drill rig, 500' of 1 ¼" pipe drill bits, (2) water pumps on trailer, will fit ship container, \$18,500; 6 wheelers, (11) \$2500-\$3500/1. Edgar Fowler, Pineville; (318) 445-2977.

Bridge timbers, creosoted, in good cond., 6"x14"x20', \$45/1. J. Berlin, Pineville; (318) 445-0600.

Cortina 18" English saddle, sued knee insets, stirrups & leathers included, \$80. Karen Mixon, Baton Rouge; (225) 261-3367.

Wood splitter, \$6950; mortar mixer, \$550; new small sand blaster, \$125. J. L. Beasley, Baker; (225) 775-4355 or (225) 276-9410.

Power drawn sugar mill, \$1500; plantation rice huller, \$1500. Lester Fuselier, Eunice; (337) 457-4265.

(2) 6000-gal. fuel tanks, in good cond., \$1000/1. George Guillory, Crowley; (337) 783-1467 or (337) 581-5123.

Yamaha generator 5200DS elec. start & wheel kit, \$2100. Doug Walker, Greensburg; (225) 222-3579.

3 prs. leather harnesses, no collars or hanes extra, \$400/pr. Donald Meyers, Perry; (337) 207-5534.

Used tin, misc lengths, \$1/1. Barry Mayers, Prairieville; (225) 622-1458.

(400) tomato cages, 2 ½' tall, homemade from concrete wire, 50¢/1, \$150 if all taken. Brandt Robin, Church Point; (337) 543-8893.

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Galv. corral panels, del. avail., 5'x10', \$45/1 or \$1050/25; 5'x12' heavy-duty, \$65/1 or \$1550/25; 6'x12' extra heavy-duty, \$75/1 or \$1800/25; 100'x200' arena, w/10' gate, \$2650. Billy Barlow, Pride; (225) 603-5610.

Galv. rd. pens, 5' tall, all include 4' bow gate, del. avail., 50', \$750; 60', \$850; 50'x6' tall, w/6' gate, \$985. Carl Barlow, Pride; (225) 603-5610.

Branding irons, custom made freeze branders, elec. branders & number sets, manufactured by Ramm, elec. dehorners also avail., \$50/1-up. Trent Graves, Prairieville; www.bluebonnetlive-stock.com or (225) 324-5501.

New saddles & tack, saddles up to 22", roping saddles, \$400/1-up; western, English & Australian, \$200/1-up. Patrick Romar, Opelousas; (337) 942-7288.

(2) 16" roping saddles, American saddle, like new, \$325. James Veillon, Ville Platte; (337) 363-4355 or (337) 831-3247.

New galv. panels w/mud boots, 40' rd. pen, \$629; 50', \$770; 60', \$958. M. Passman, Amite; (985) 748-5094.

Pasture gates, 4', \$41; 6', \$49; 8', \$54; 10', \$61; 12', \$70; 14', \$77; 16', \$85. Mike Passman, Amite; (985) 748-5094.

Manure spreader, 25 bushels, 18 cubic feet, new used one time, \$1900. Allen Dugas, Tickfaw; (985) 542-0252.

5'x5/16" rebar, \$1/1. Richard

Satterley, Melville; (337) 566-3708.

Antique wagon frame, Owensboro, 1912 rubber tires, \$300; kids saddles, \$125; commercial kitchen hood, \$850; 115 Mercury boat motor, \$950; motor home, \$2000; old Coke & Sprite bottles & jars, \$1/1-up; fiberglass camper shell, \$400; Suzuki 230 4-wheeler, \$800; Honda 90 3-wheeler, \$500; go carts, \$750. Shelia Wills, Jennings; (337) 824-5197 or (337) 789-0699.

Custom made fencing, ready to install, 4" heavy wall pipe corner, \$110; Hs mid-section fencing, \$85. K. Matte, Branch; (337) 296-6798 or (337) 334-9272.

C-35 chocker skidder, \$2500; 240 log hog loader, \$4000. Bain Johnson, Pitkin; (318) 358-5117

40 kw generator, Genorac PTO, on trailer, including disconnect switch, 300 hrs. of use, \$3300. Wilson LaGraize, Franklinton; (504) 838-3108 or (504) 839-3300.

Greenhouse, 18x96 frame, fitted with 68% shade cloth, ground cloth fair, you dismantle, \$1200. Betty Robin, 4017 Hwy 357, Opelousas, LA 70570; (337) 407-0188.

Wanted: small hammer mill to crack corn. Sam Ward, Farmerville; (318) 368-8972.

Wanted: grinder/mixer, lake model, in good cond., PTO drive. R. LaBorde, Hessmer; (318) 563-4566.

Wanted: (20) metal lids, to fit 55-gal. steel drums. Bryan McCann, Marksville; (318) 253-8136.

Wanted: (2) tires, 18630, 85-90% rubber. Loyton Courville, Sunset; (337) 662-3758.

Wanted: Priefert squeeze chute, no junk. Don Anderson, Simmesport; (318) 941-2600.

FROM THE FARM

7' barbecue pit on wheels w/two doors & 4 slide-out trays, \$1500. Freddie Rick, Kentwood; (985) 229-2279.

All natural goat milk soap, very good for your skin, no petroleum or artificial ingredients, various scents, \$4/1. Melanie Blackmer, Lake Charles; www.hometown.aol.com/pdavenport913 or (337) 478-2208.

Whole brown fig preserves, grown & canned at my home, no preservatives added, ½ pint, \$3/1. Edith Lensgraf, Hammond; (985) 345-5452.

Wanted: old sugar or syrup kettles, any size. Steven, Baton Rouge; (225) 261-8739 or (225) 938-9366.

Wanted: old gristmill or old millstones, any size. Richard Eaves, Demopolis, AL;

raleaves@email.com or (334) 289-8906.

Wanted: lumber, truckload quantities of boards to build mats, any good hardwood, full cut 2"x7 ¾" in 8', 14' & 16' lengths, 50,000 to 100,000 board ft./per month. Fred Davies, Lake Charles; (337) 433-7295.

Wanted: Melex 3-wheel gold cart, for parts. Ronnie Burr, Vidalia; (225) 773-0343.

FAIRS & FESTIVALS

Cajun Canary and Finch Club is sponsoring a bird mart and bird craft fair, June 10 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and June 11 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the VFW Hall, 3314 Richland in Metairie.

A large assortment of birds including parrots, cockatiels, canaries, conures, parakeets and finches will be available for sale. There will also be a wide variety of bird related crafts and bird accessories available for sale.

Bird adoption assistance will be to those who are no longer able to care for their birds. Admission is \$2 per person.

Children under six enter free.

For more information, contact Meade Phelps at (504) 887-0724

or neworleansmeade@cox.net.

Antique Tractor Show sponsored by Louisiana IHC Chapter 31 and Americana's Old Iron Museum will be held May 5-6 in Bush. For more information, call Rawlin Williams at (985) 886-5665, Buddy Bank at (985) 732-3950, Dwitt Stewart at (985) 732-2065 or Charlie Stewart at (985) 735-8900.

Contraband Days Festival will be held May 2-14 in Lake Charles. For more information, call (337) 436-5508 or visit www.contrabanddays.com.

Thibodaux Fireman's Fair will be held May 4-7 in Thibodaux. For more information, call (985) 446-3247.

Breaux Bridge Crawfish Festival will be held May 5-7 in Breaux Bridge. For more information, call (337) 332-6655.

Our Lady of Prompt Succor Tomato Festival, will be held May 5-7 in Chalmette. For more information, call (504) 271-3441.

Acadian Charter Chapter Festival will be held May 6 in Eunice. For for information, call (337) 457-8490.

Celebration of Herbs and Garden will be held in Sunset May 6. For more information, call (337) 662-3542.

Cochon de Lait Festival will be held May 11-14 in Mansura. For more information, call (318) 964-2887.



COOKERY

Fresh Spring Ideas

Crustless Spinach Quiche

1 (10 oz.) pkg. frozen chopped spinach, thawed and drained well	1/4 tsp. garlic powder
1 cup cottage cheese	Pinch cayenne pepper
1/4 lb. cheddar cheese, shredded	4 eggs
1 small onion, sliced	1/3 cup milk
1 tbsp. oil	1/2 tsp. dried basil

Preheat oven to 325 degrees. In blender or food processor, blend cheeses, onions, oil, seasonings, eggs and milk until smooth. Pour into bowl with spinach and blend well. Grease a 9-inch pie plate. Pour in mixture. Bake 35-45 minutes or until knife inserted in center comes out clean. Let stand for 10 minutes before cutting.

source: www.recipegoldmine.com

Catfish Fingers with Dipping Sauce

2 cups white cornmeal	2 ½ lbs. large catfish filets, cut into strips
Salt & pepper	Peanut oil for frying

Combine cornmeal, salt and pepper in shallow dish. Dredge catfish strips in cornmeal, shaking off excess. Set aside on wax-paper lined baking sheet. Heat 2" peanut oil in heavy skillet to 375 degrees. Add catfish strips to oil three at a time, and fry 5 minutes, turning, until golden brown and fish flakes easily. Drain on paper towels and sprinkle lightly with salt.

Sauce: ¾ cup white wine vinegar	2 cloves garlic, finely chopped
½ tsp. salt	2 green onions, thinly sliced
1 shallot, finely chopped	1 tbsp. chopped fresh parsley

Foil-Grilled Shrimp

2 lbs. shrimp (frozen or fresh)	1 tbsp. any wine available
1/2 cup (1 stick) butter (no substitute)	1/2 tsp. salt
1 tsp. garlic powder	Dash of pepper
1/2 tsp. curry powder (optional)	3 tbsps. parsley

Melt butter and add all ingredients except shrimp. Using foil (12 x 18-inches) packets or small foil pans, add shrimp to butter sauce and divide evenly. Seal your packets or pans with foil completely so you can turn these over the coals after 8 minutes; grill another 8 minutes until done.

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Coming Your Way

Livingston Horse Show Association will hold shows beginning at 9 a.m. April 29, May 13 and May 27 at South Park in Denham Springs.

Events include halter, performance classes, English and gaited horse class, timed, novice horse and rider classes, and lead-in class for non-riders.

Age groups are peanut, pee-wee, junior and senior.

For more information, contact JoLynn Allen at (225) 665-0335 after 7 p.m. or Wanda Johnson at (225) 664-3169 after 7 p.m.

Silver Spurs Riders Club will host an open horse show saddle series at West Calcasieu Arena in Sulphur.

All shows begin at 8 a.m. Dates scheduled include April 30, May 21, June 24, July 9, Aug. 6 and Sept. 10.

English, Arabian, halter, color, lunge-line, lead-line, showmanship, Western judged and speed event classes will be available.

Stalls and hook-ups are also available.

For more information, contact Terry at (337) 884-8167 or (337) 217-3637, or Renee at (337) 855-9279.

The 2nd Annual Tiger Dash for Cash presented by BRBRA will be held May 6-7 at the New Roads Arena.

Exhibition barrels will be held from 8 a.m.

to 10:30 a.m. Saturday and Sunday with shows starting at 11 a.m. each day. Three D poles will be held Saturday only.

Registration forms and fees must be postmarked by April 22 or a late fee will be applied.

For price and registration information, contact Dawn Hedrick at (225) 328-2351 or Laci Hadley at (225) 718-2325.

The Louisiana Tech University Farm Production Sale will be held at 1 p.m. May 6 at Tech Farm in Ruston.

Quarter horses, paints, heifers, steers, hogs and lambs will be available for sale.

For more information, visit www.live-stocksale.latech.edu or contact Dr. Gary Kennedy at (318) 257-3275.

Calcasieu Horsman's Club has open horse shows scheduled for May 6, June 24, July 8, Aug. 5 and Sept. 23 at the Jeff Davis Multi-Purpose Arena in Jennings.

The shows are PAC approved and feature four age divisions as well as special needs classes.

Classes include English, Western, halter, reining and speed events.

For more information, contact Lou Somers at (337) 497-1186 or Angie Leonard at (337) 794-0662.

Cajun Country Miniature Horse Club is hosting an open miniature horse fun show at

10 a.m. May 13 at Lamar-Dixon Expo Center in Gonzales.

Classes include halter, driving, costume and liberty. The event is open to all miniature horses. Entry fee is \$15 per person. Spectators are free.

Jambalaya and concessions will be available as well as information about the American Miniature Horse breed.

For more information, contact Gene Burns at (225) 622-1732.

Woods & Woods Auction Company in Minden will hold its first horse and mule auction May 13.

Tack sale begins at 11 a.m. and horses and mules start at 1 p.m. Proof of current Coggins test required.

Woods Ranch is holding auctions beginning at 6 p.m. the first and third Saturday of every month.

A consignment sale for tractors and equipment will be held the last Saturday of every month.

Full RV hookups and a riding arena are also available.

For more information, contact Larry Woods at (318) 377-4747 or (318) 469-0837.

The Louisiana Team Penning Association will hold shows at 7:30 p.m. on Fridays through September at TNT Arena in Elm Grove.

Youth classes, sorting and several penning classes will be available.

For more information, contact Billy Brossette at (318) 987-9955 or Mark Jester at (318) 752-9398.

High Delta Exotics is now open to the public every Saturday and Sunday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Horse trail rides and tours cost \$15.

For more information and tour times, call 1-888-244-3319 or visit the Web site www.highdelta.com.

Southern Miniature Horse Confederation is holding a miniature horse sale and fun show at 11 a.m. June 10 at the Neshoba County Coliseum in Philadelphia, Miss.

AMHR & AMHA registered miniatures, including bred mares, mares with babies, stallions and miniature donkeys, will be available. Catalog will be ready May 27 at www.smhconfederation.net.

Consignment fees due on horses, \$100, and donkeys, \$50, by May 14.

Fun show following sale. Show in any class for \$10.

For more information about the sale, contact Charlotte Spell at (985) 848-1529 or scspell@itsfast.net.

For more information about the fun show, contact Tamsie Morris at tamsiem@tycom.net or (662) 983-4482.

Ag leaders meet in Baton Rouge for roundtable

More than 50 of the state's agriculture and forestry leaders met today in Baton Rouge at a roundtable meeting hosted by Commissioner of Agriculture and Forestry Bob Odom.

"From time to time we find it useful to gather together at one location and discuss issues important to the industry," Odom said. "Today we heard from producers representing all the major commodities and livestock. Plus, Department of Agriculture and Forestry, LSU AgCenter, USDA and Louisiana Farm Bureau Federation officials were on hand to listen and offer suggestions to the producers. I think our discussions were productive."

Major topics on the agenda included hurricane recovery and preparations for the 2006 hurricane season. Dr. Maxwell Lea, LDAF state veterinarian, also gave a brief animal health update regarding surveillance programs for avian influenza and Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy, or mad cow.

Points brought up during the meeting included:

- ♦The state lost 25 percent of its meat processing facilities because of the hurricanes. The processors still in existence have lost retail customers that were displaced during the storms and institutional contracts with schools and other facilities that remain closed.

- ♦Soybean producers find promise in the up tick in demand for ethanol and biodiesel but remain committed to producing a quality crop for cattle feed. Many of those

at the roundtable voiced support for current legislation being considered at the state level that would set minimum requirements for ethanol and biodiesel use in fuel produced in Louisiana.

- ♦The Louisiana Cattlemen's Association is working with members of Congress to get FEMA funds earmarked for agriculture in future disaster situations.

- ♦USDA's Farm Services Agency employees will be trained later this month to begin sign up and distribution of disaster money for farmers, landowners and ranchers.

- ♦Most strawberry producers are having a better season than expected. After the storms, producers expected to have a shortage of labor and customers. Both have proven to be non-issues.

- ♦Urban sprawl and development on the North Shore are major concerns for the forestry industry. Loss of forestland to development and how that also affects wildfire activity were issues brought up by Louisiana Forestry Association members.

- ♦Aerial applicators have been affected by the dramatic decrease in rice planting. Estimates show Vermilion Parish will reduce rice planting by 75 percent. Salt water contamination in fields coupled with low prices is forcing rice farmers to look for other work.

- ♦A livestock auction barn representative said sale barns will be in trouble until cattlemen are able to afford to re-stock their herds.

- ♦Sugar producers are working at the federal level to get assis-

tance and are worried about lasting damage to sugarcane over the next several seasons.

- ♦Christmas tree growers had trees blown over by the storms but one grower on the North Shore reported a 2 percent increase in business in 2005. The Christmas Spirit Foundation set up by the national growers organization helped Gulf Coast Christmas tree growers with repairs and damage.

- ♦Louisiana furniture manufacturers have seen their top furniture makers and employees "cherry picked" by other states. Demand is up because people lost furniture

and need to replace it, but there are not as many makers to fill the orders.

- ♦Many farmers said gas and diesel prices are killing their chances of making a profit.

- ♦Another concern is crop transportation during and after hurricanes. Producers cannot move their crop if the river is closed to barge and ship traffic. Other producers who transport by truck found it difficult to secure drivers because they were getting FEMA contracts that paid more.

"All of these issues affect the well-being of our state, especially

in the rural communities," Odom said. "It was good to come together in one room and hear everyone's stories – how they're surviving, what can be done to help and where they've found success."

"The agriculture and forestry producers in this state have always worked well together. They're tough people who rise to the occasion when faced with adversity. While none of us are looking forward to the coming hurricane season, we know we're better prepared and we know what has to be done to avoid outcomes like last time."

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Odom presents fifth annual science fair awards

Commissioner of Agriculture and Forestry Bob Odom continued his commitment to encourage young people to research agriculture and forestry by presenting special awards at nine regional science fairs throughout the state this year.

"Although some of the fairs were in areas hit by hurricanes Katrina and Rita, the spirit of the competitions survived. Our judges reported that there were many great projects at the fairs and I am proud that in the wake of such disastrous events, these students rose to the top and continued pursuing academic success," Odom said.

This is the fifth year he has presented the Bob Odom Best in Agriculture and Forestry Science Fair Achievement Awards at regional science fairs in Bossier City, Ruston, Monroe, Alexandria, Lake Charles, Lafayette, Baton Rouge, Hammond and Thibodaux. Due to school closures caused by Hurricane Katrina, the New Orleans fair was cancelled.

Odom presents the awards as an effort to foster interest in agriculture and forestry among students. Winners must exhibit outstanding projects relating to the fields of agriculture and/or forestry. Two winners are selected at each fair, one senior high and one junior high.

"Because of current conditions in agriculture, especially bad weather and drought, fewer and

fewer young people are entering the farm business. They want to make money without having to worry about the cyclical nature of weather, world market prices and other factors beyond their control," Odom said.

"It's important for young people to remember, even though ag has its ups and down, it is the backbone of this state and country. They might choose not to work in the industry as a farmer or forester, but hopefully, through these awards, we can spark an interest in the research, further marketing of agricultural and forestry commodities, or other professional disciplines."

Research is particularly vital, Odom said. "In order for a farm to survive today, I believe it has to diversify its business to include food, energy and fuel production. We need young people to research using crops in cogeneration and ethanol and biodiesel production. That's the future of agriculture. It's key that American youth take an interest in these areas so we can lessen our dependence on foreign oil and use renewable resources for energy."

Award winners received a certificate of commendation for their achievement and a \$50 U.S. Savings Bond from Odom. Students who won at regional science fairs that took place before March 17 were invited to attend Louisiana Ag Day in Baton Rouge

and receive their certificate from Odom during a special ceremony. The students also displayed their projects for those in attendance.

This year's award recipients are:
Region I – Ashley Edmiston, Benton Middle School, Benton; Sara Moi, Airline High School, Bossier City.

Region II – Sarah Hixon, Cedar Creek School, Ruston; David Koh, Cedar Creek School, Ruston.

Region III – Stevie Rae Bach, Delhi Charter School, Delhi; Daneekia Leonard, Richwood High School, Monroe.

Region IV – Joseph Daniel Trujillo, Leesville Junior High School, Anacoco; Matthew P. Laborde, Avoyelles High School, Moreauville.

Region V – Rebekah Unsworth, Kingswood Academy, Sulphur; Danny Forest, St. Louis High School, Lake Charles.

Region VI – Ian Guillotte, Catholic High School, New Iberia; Sarah Farmer, Catholic High School, New Iberia.

Region VII – Megan Guidry, Most Blessed Sacrament School, Baton Rouge; Jennifer Serwan, St. Joseph's Academy, Baton Rouge.

Region VIII – Samm Laurent, Madisonville Junior High School, Madisonville; Kathryn R. Chabaud, St. Thomas, Hammond.

Region X – Thomas Rogues, Lutch High School, Lutch; Allen Bordelon, St. James High School, Vacherie.



Sarah Farmer, a senior at Catholic High School of New Iberia, accepts her Bob Odom Best in Agriculture and Forestry Science Fair Achievement Award from Commissioner Odom at Ag Day festivities in Baton Rouge. Farmer has obtained a patent for the product she developed for her project, "Invisible Arboreal Anchoring System." The system uses a biodegradable cloth instead of stakes and string for anchoring small trees in yards and orchards.



Megan Guidry, an eighth-grade student at Most Blessed Sacrament in Baton Rouge, receives her award from Commissioner Odom. Guidry's project focused on the effects of manipulating the shape of vegetables. She was inspired by Japanese farmers who grow square watermelons and sell them for \$82 each. The square melons take up less space in the crowded Asian country.

Need help with a science fair project?
Check out these Web sites: www.ldaf.state.la.us, www.lsuagcenter.com, www.laforestry.com

Jennifer Serwan, a senior at St. Joseph's Academy in Baton Rouge, researched genetic engineering of rice for disease and pest resistance which, in turn, can increase yields. According to Serwan's project research, rice is a staple food for more than half the world and scientific improvements in rice production could have significant global impacts.

